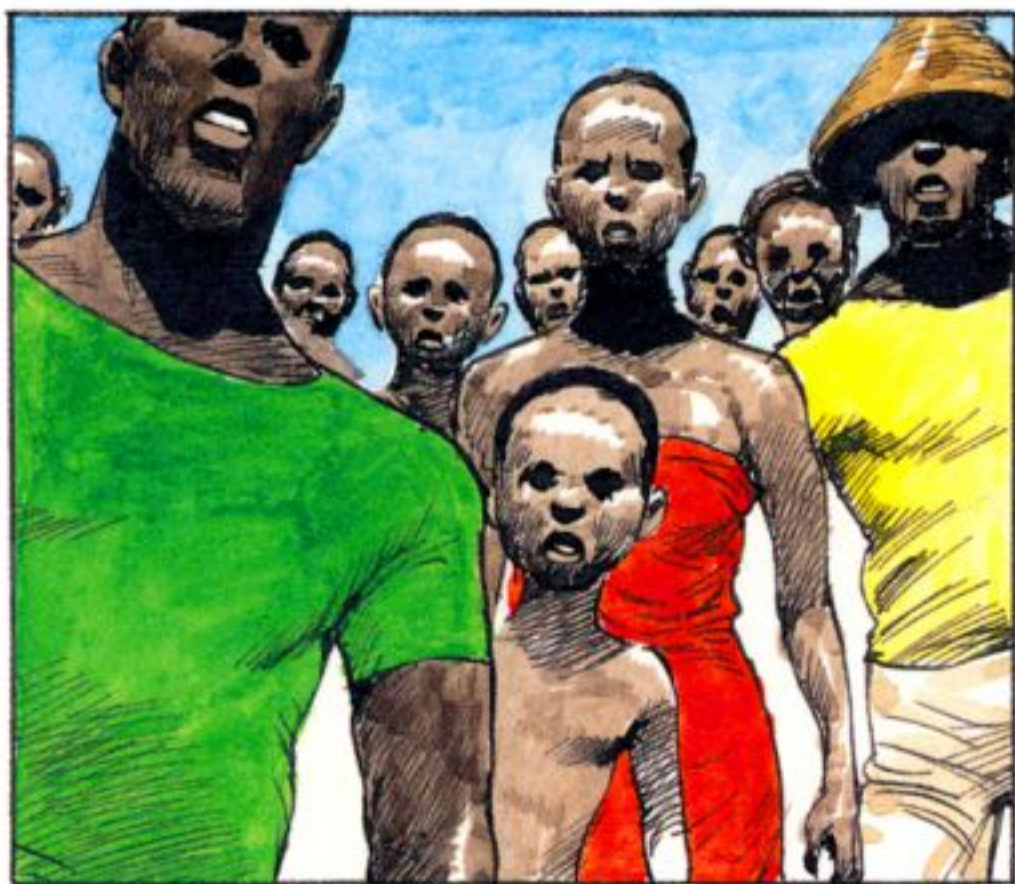


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BLUE WORLD



East of the African Continent
Madagascar



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THE BLUE WORLD

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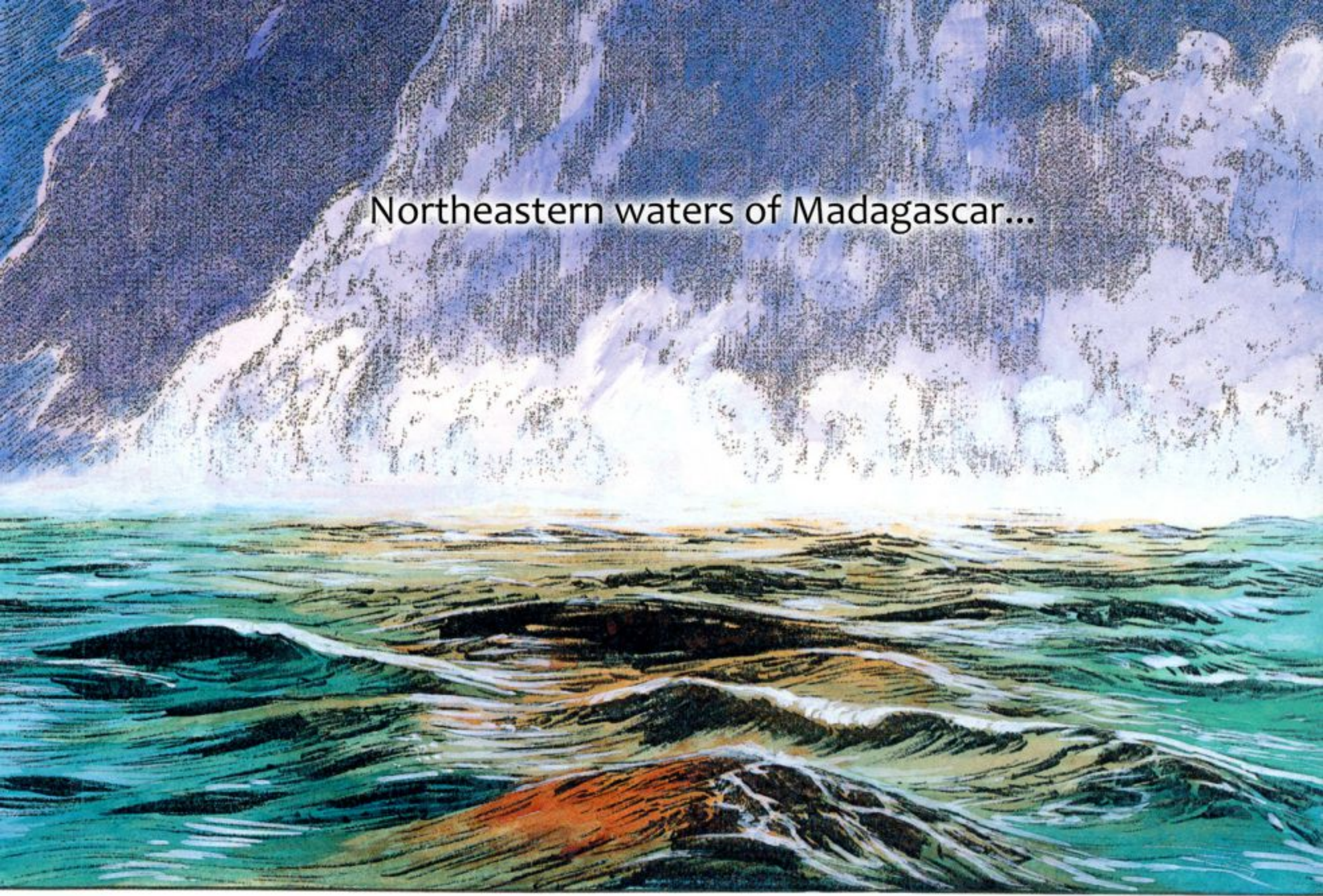
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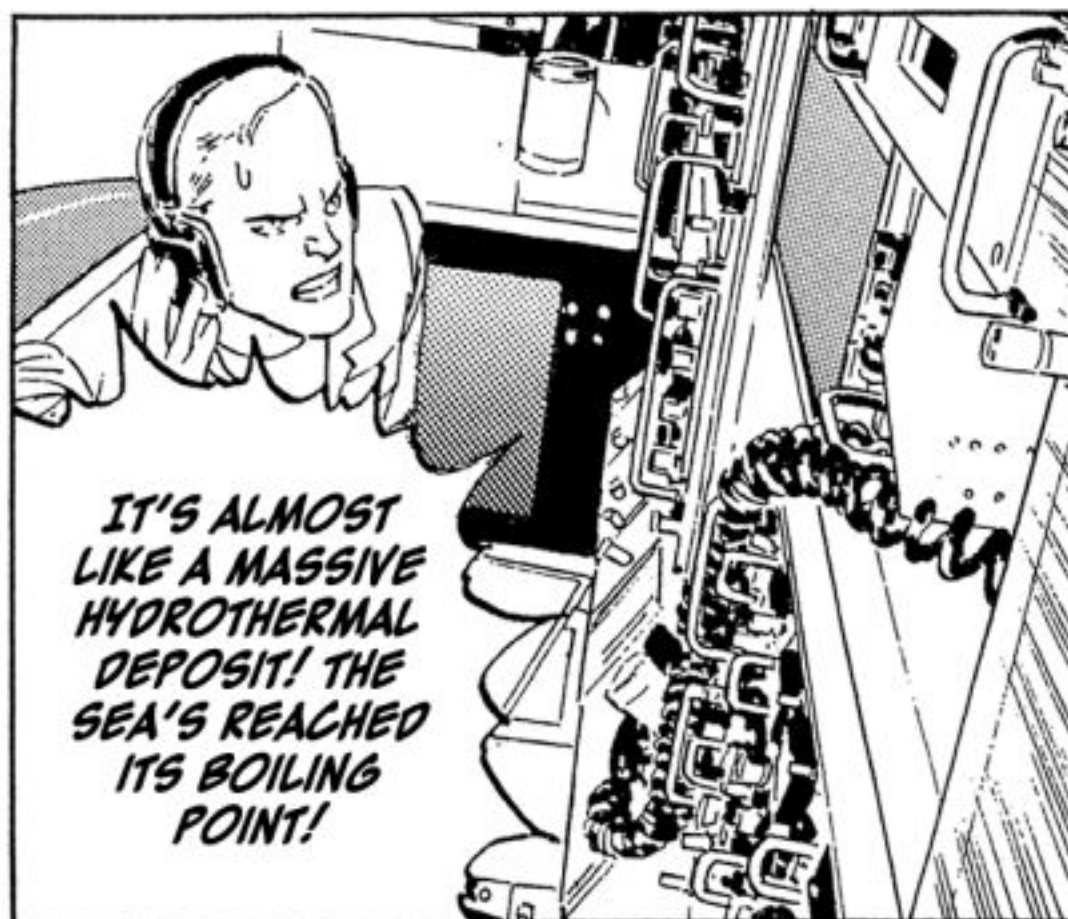
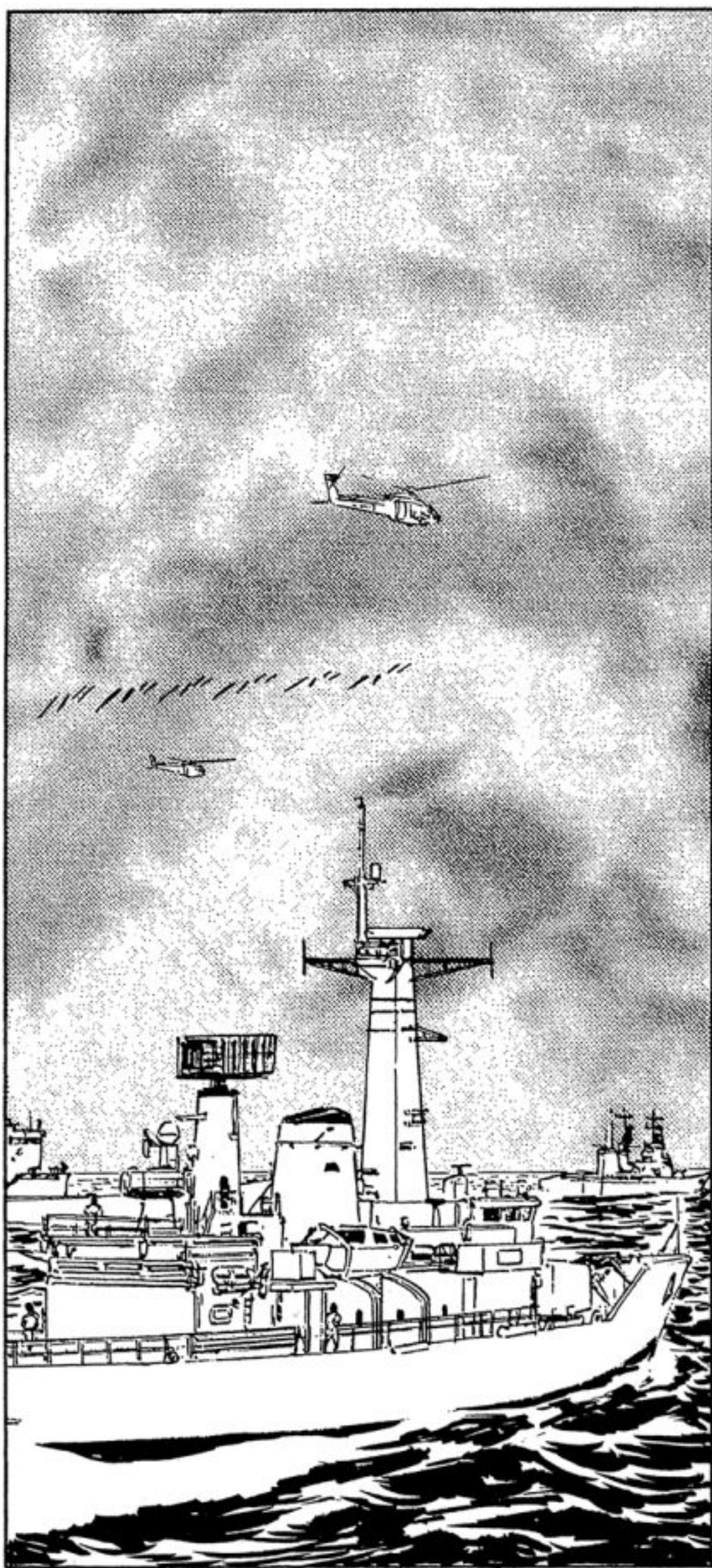
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Northeastern waters of Madagascar...



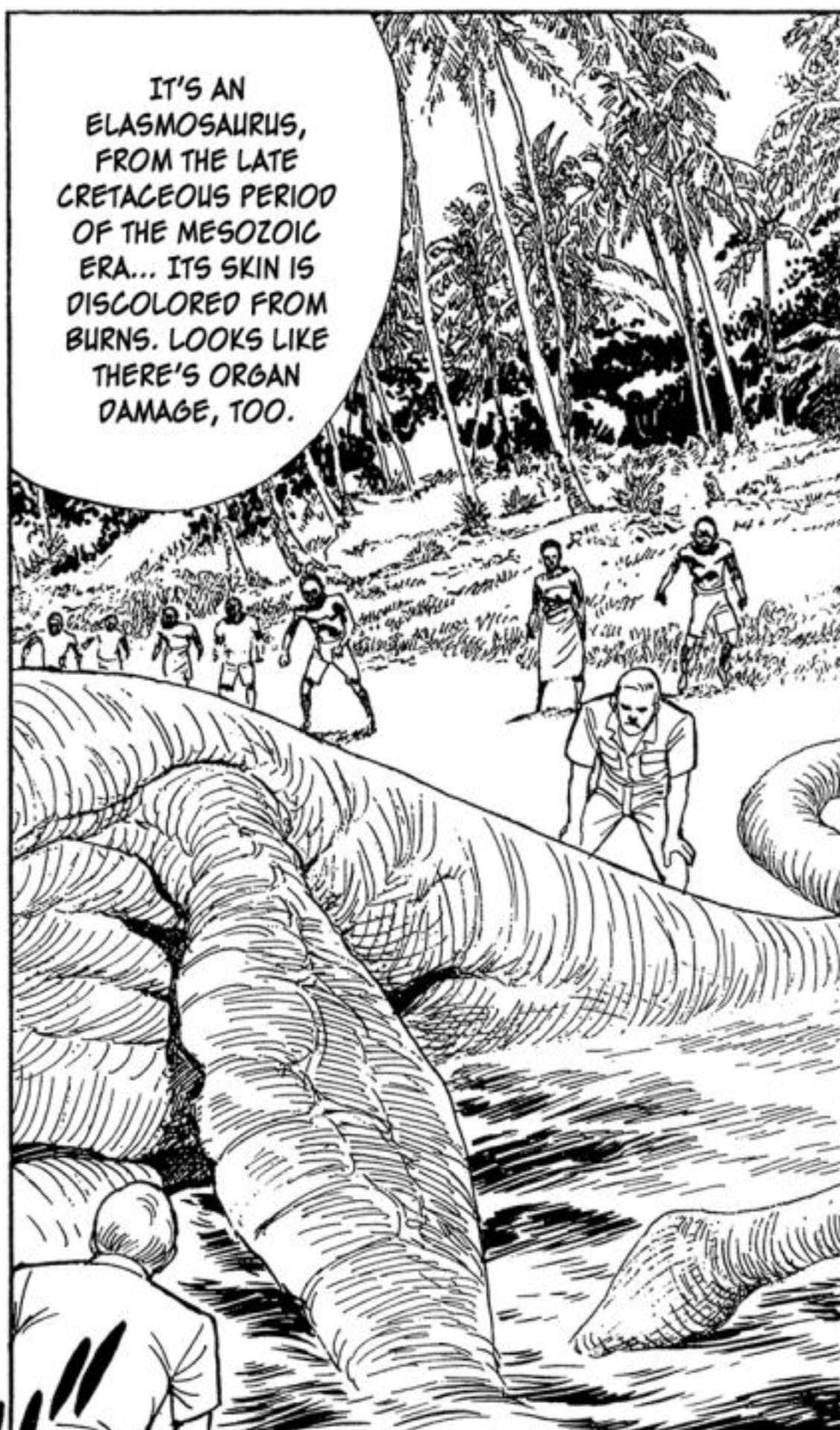




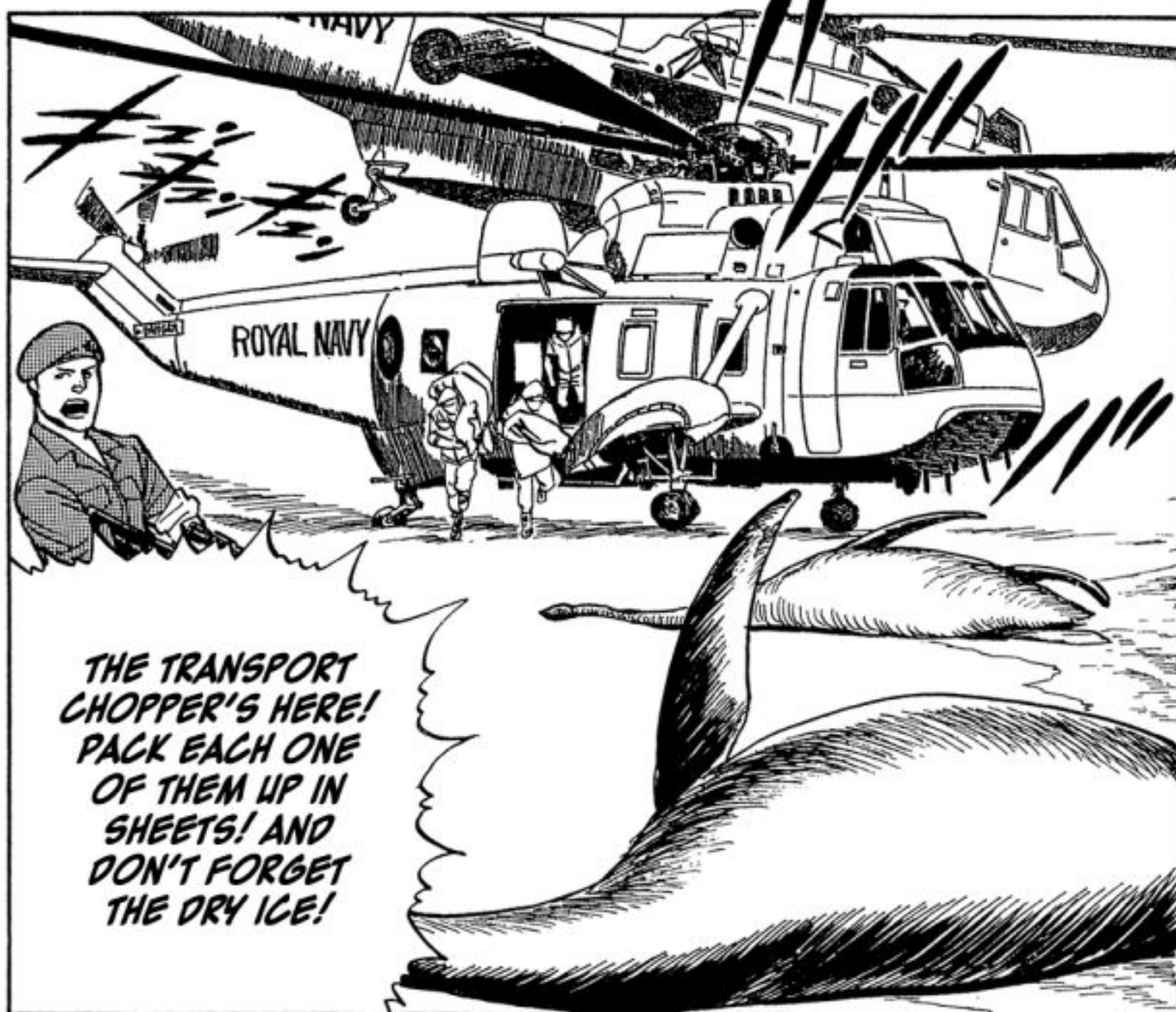




THIS ONE'S
A MOSASAURUS.
ITS SPINE'S BEEN
CRUSHED TO PIECES.
MUST'VE SUSTAINED
EITHER A MASSIVE
BLOW, OR IMMENSE
PRESSURE...

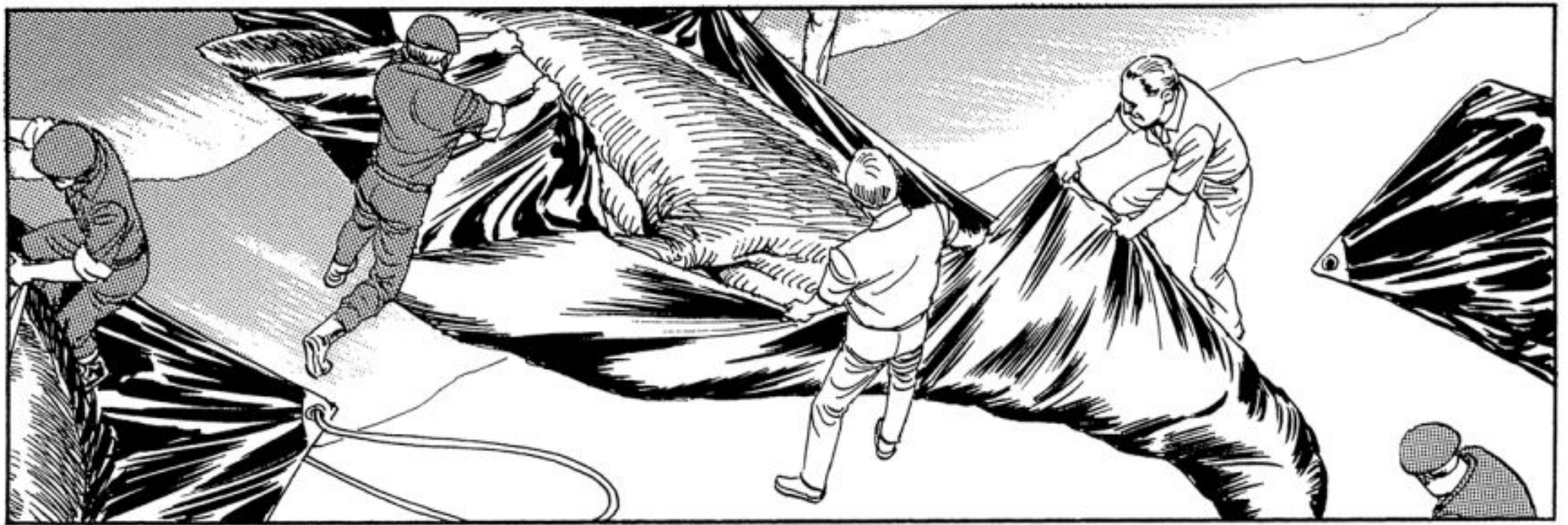


IT'S AN
ELASMOSAURUS,
FROM THE LATE
CRETACEOUS PERIOD
OF THE MESOZOIC
ERA... ITS SKIN IS
DISCOLORED FROM
BURNS. LOOKS LIKE
THERE'S ORGAN
DAMAGE, TOO.



THE TRANSPORT
CHOPPER'S HERE!
PACK EACH ONE
OF THEM UP IN
SHEETS! AND
DON'T FORGET
THE DRY ICE!





**STOP
THEM!
DON'T
LET THEM
GET TOO
CLOSE!**



**OUT OF
MY WAY!
COMING
THROUGH!**



**HARRY STEEL!
AMERICAN
FREELANCE
JOURNALIST!**

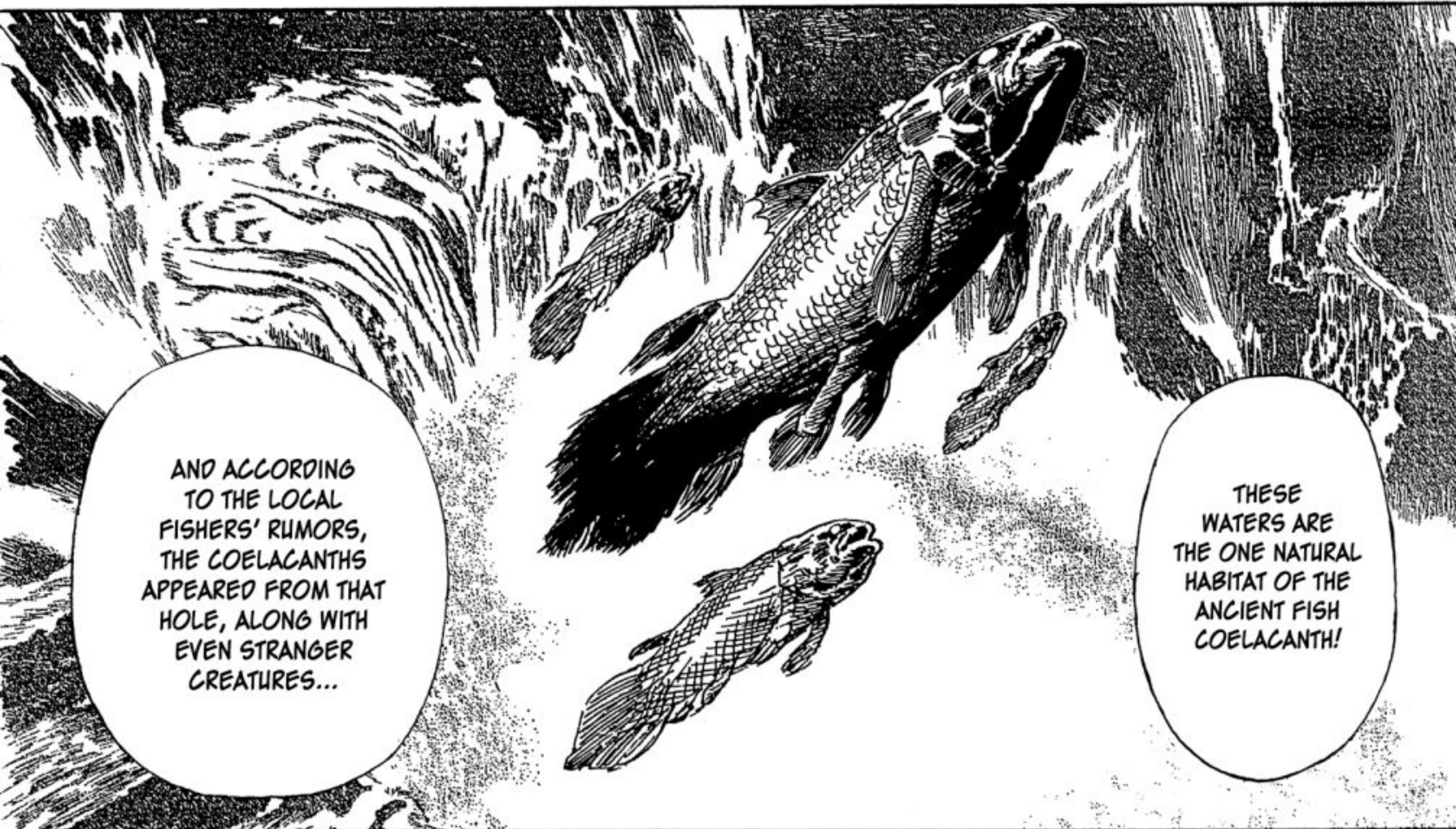


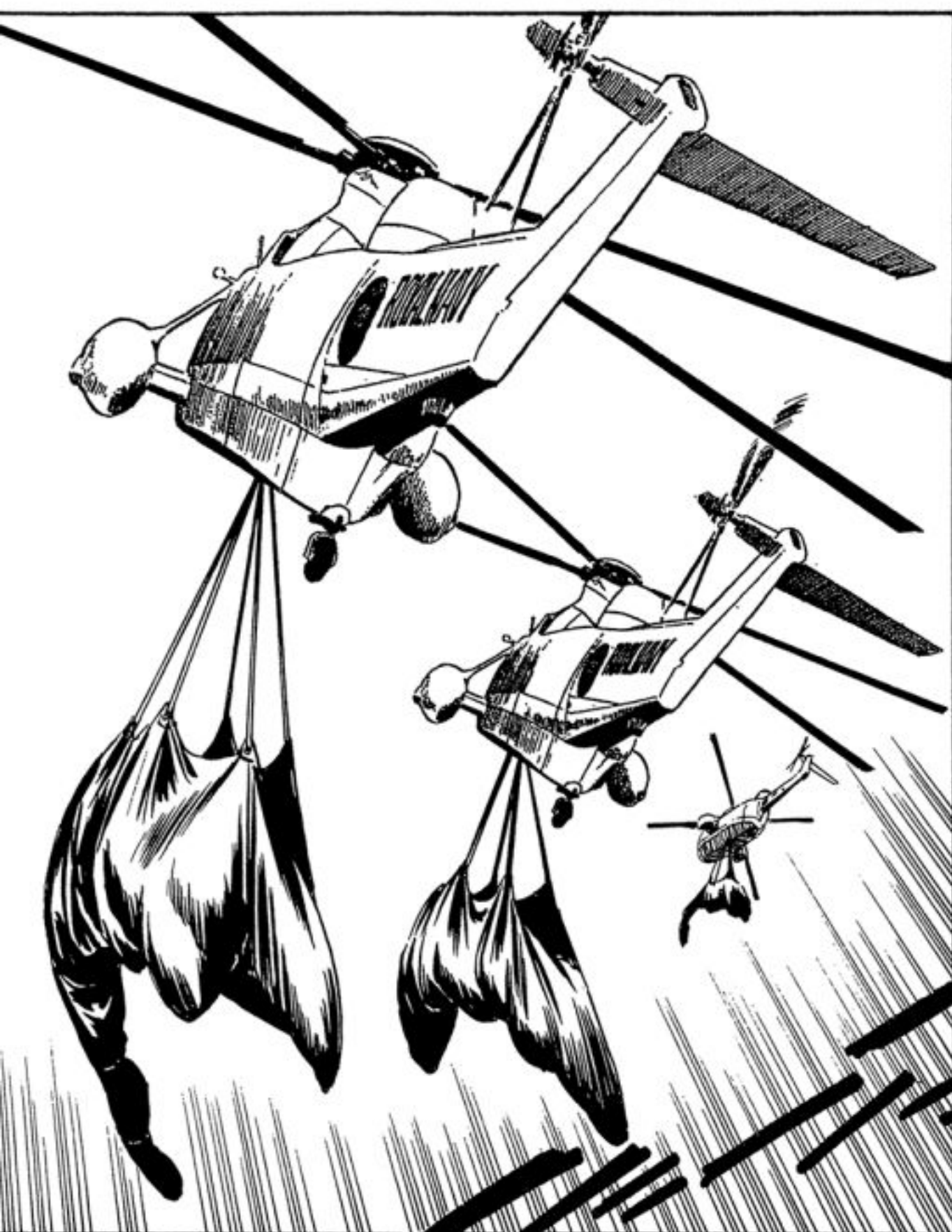
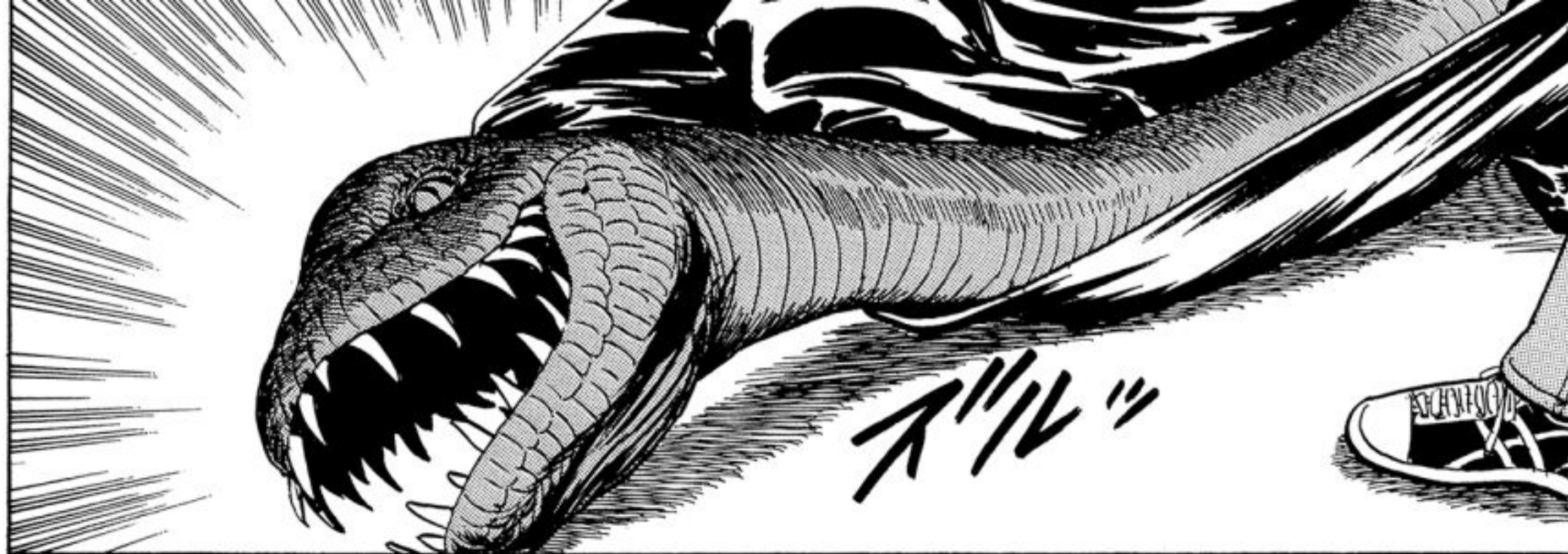
**NOOOOOO!
HANDS OFF
OF ME,
YOU CREEP!**

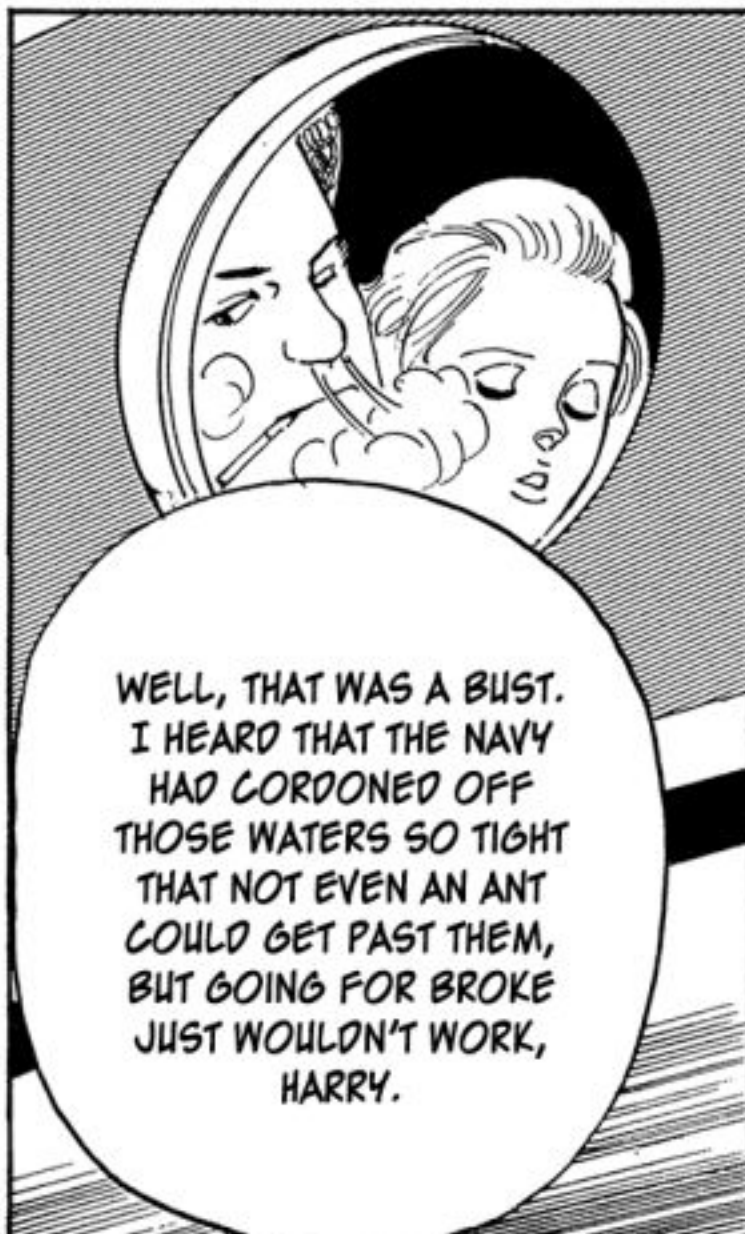
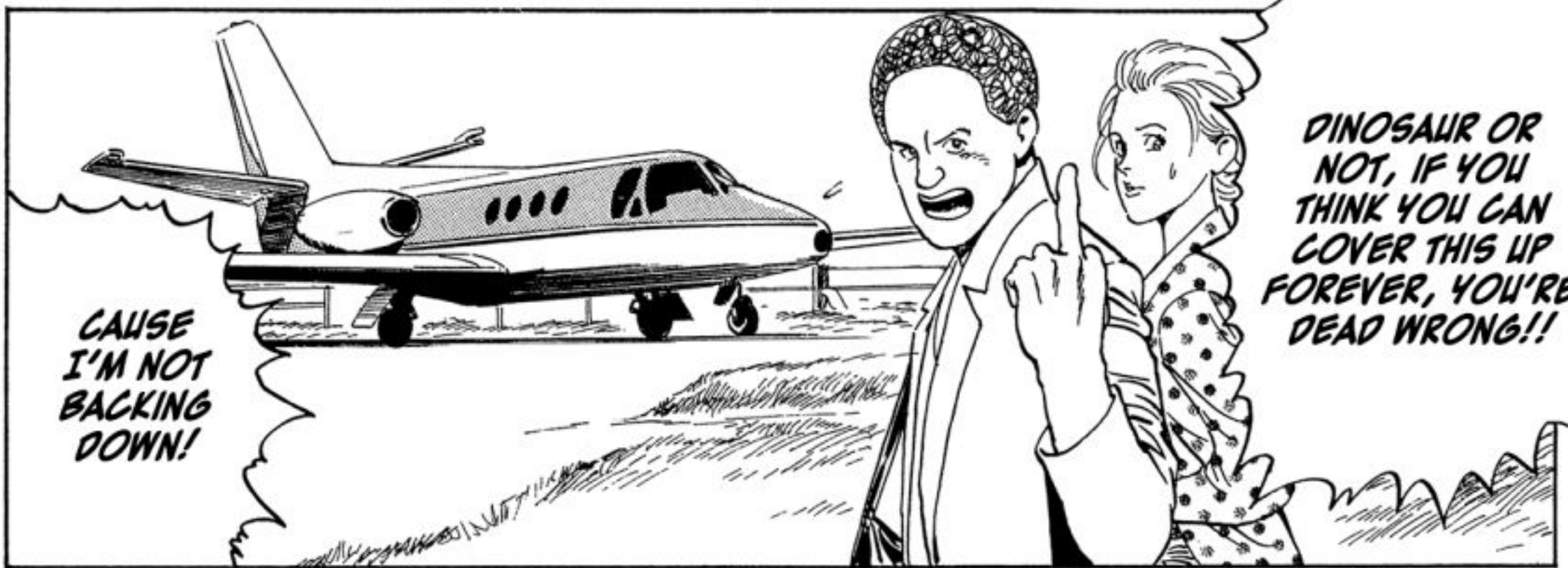
**AIIEE
EEEE!**

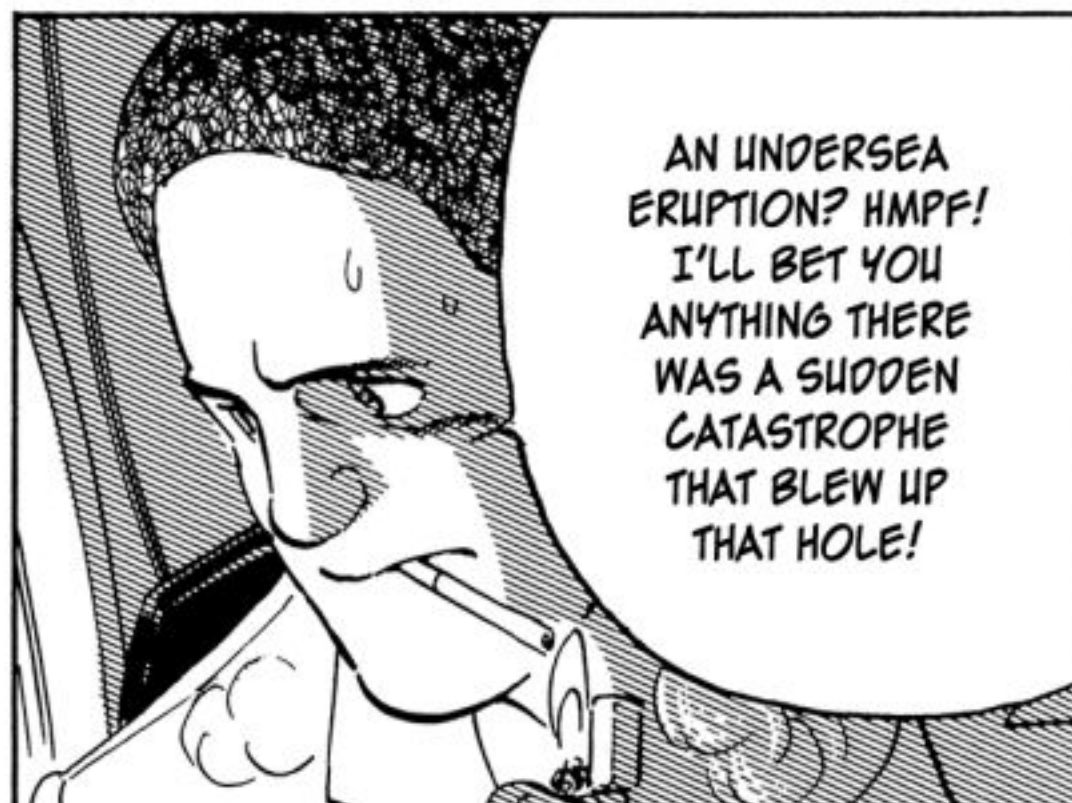
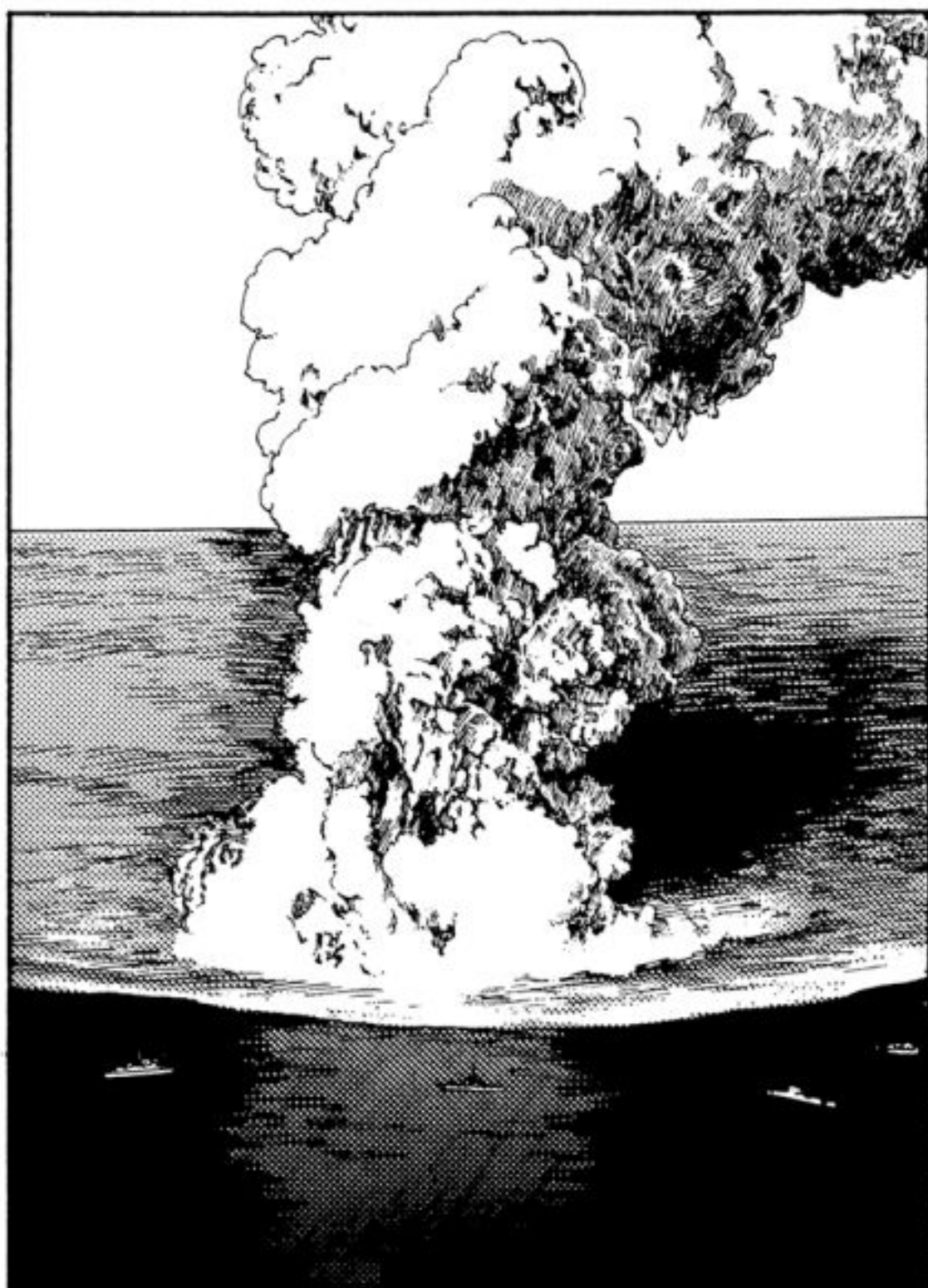


**THAT'S
A CREATURE
THAT CAME OUT
OF THE HOLE,
ISN'T IT!?**





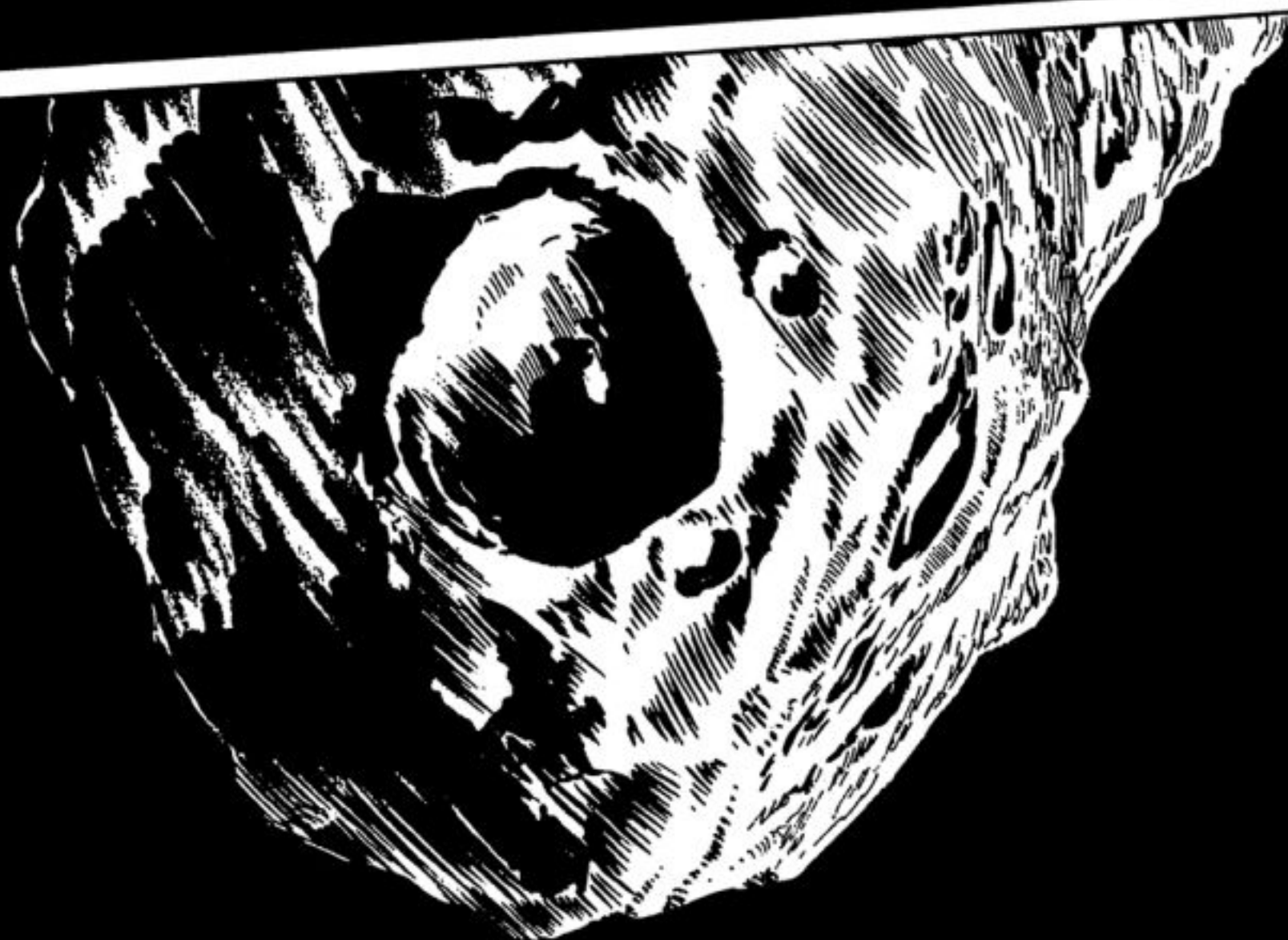




AN UNDERSEA
ERUPTION? HMPF!
I'LL BET YOU
ANYTHING THERE
WAS A SUDDEN
CATASTROPHE
THAT BLEW UP
THAT HOLE!

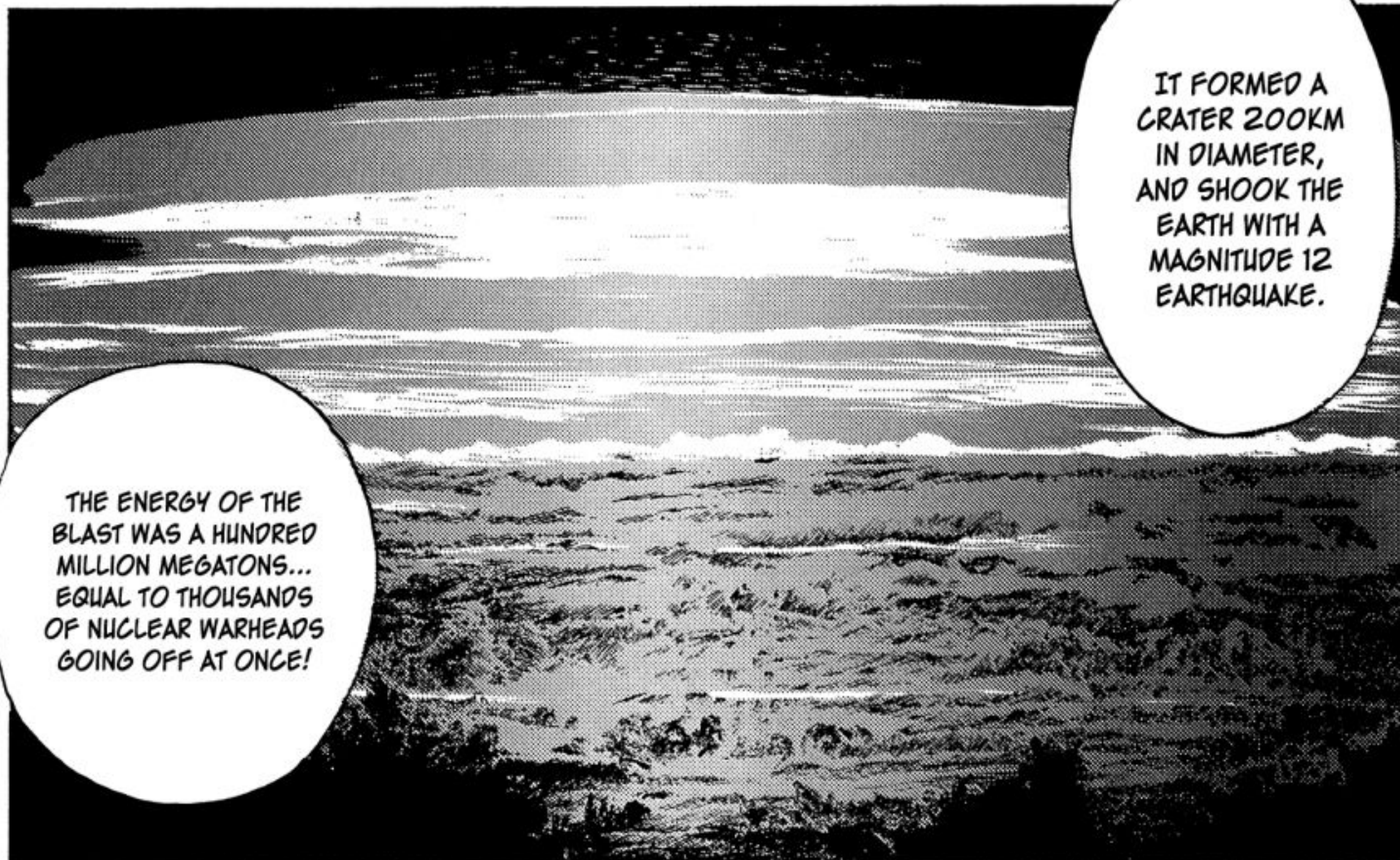


A CATAS-
TROPHE...? AND
THAT'S WHERE
THE BODIES
ARE COMING
FROM...?





SIXTY-FIVE
MILLION YEARS AGO,
AN ASTRONOMICAL
OBJECT TEN KILOMETERS
IN DIAMETER LANDED
ON WHAT IS NOW THE
YUCATAN PENINSULA
OF MEXICO!



IT FORMED A
CRATER 200KM
IN DIAMETER,
AND SHOOK THE
EARTH WITH A
MAGNITUDE 12
EARTHQUAKE.

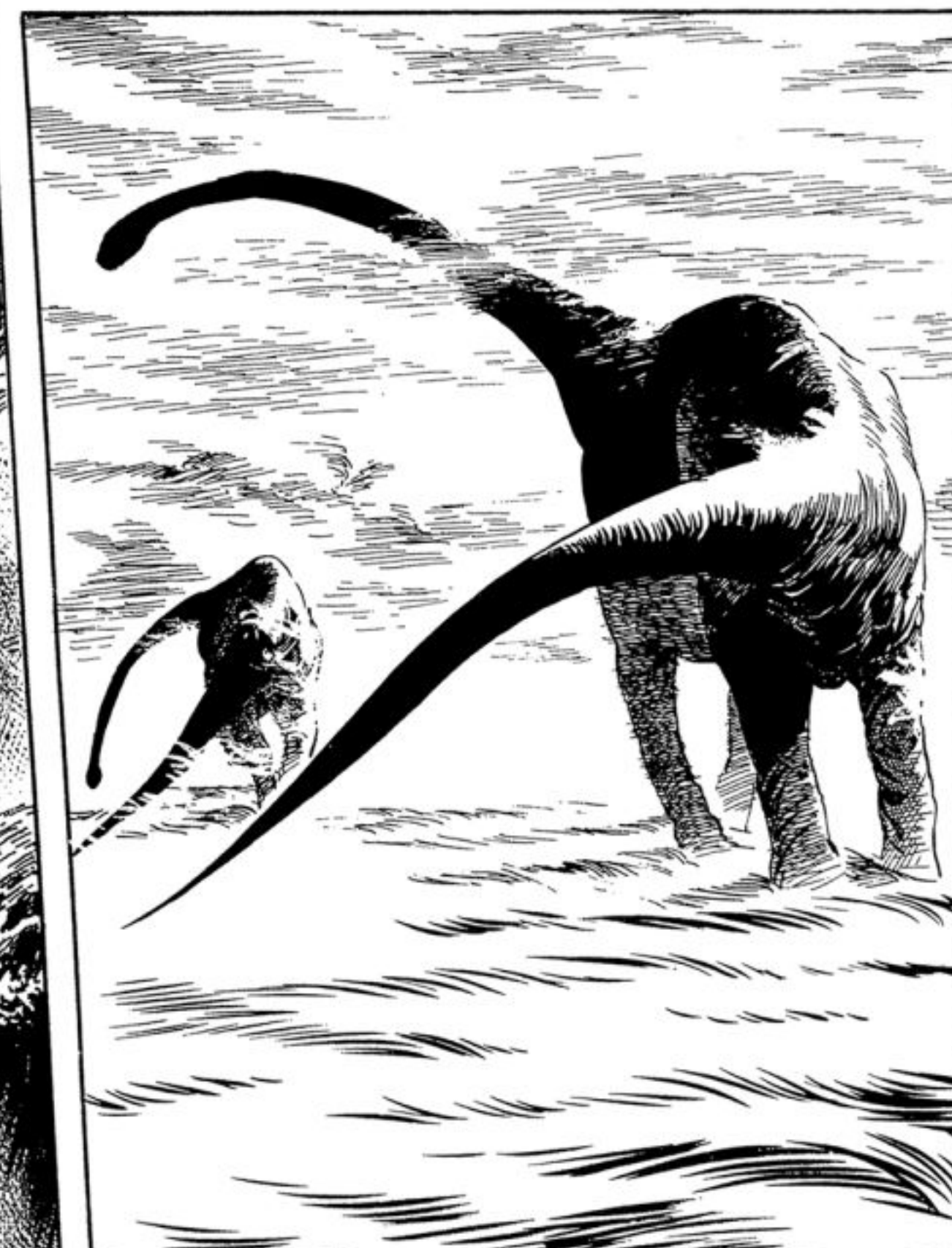
THE ENERGY OF THE
BLAST WAS A HUNDRED
MILLION MEGATONS...
EQUAL TO THOUSANDS
OF NUCLEAR WARHEADS
GOING OFF AT ONCE!

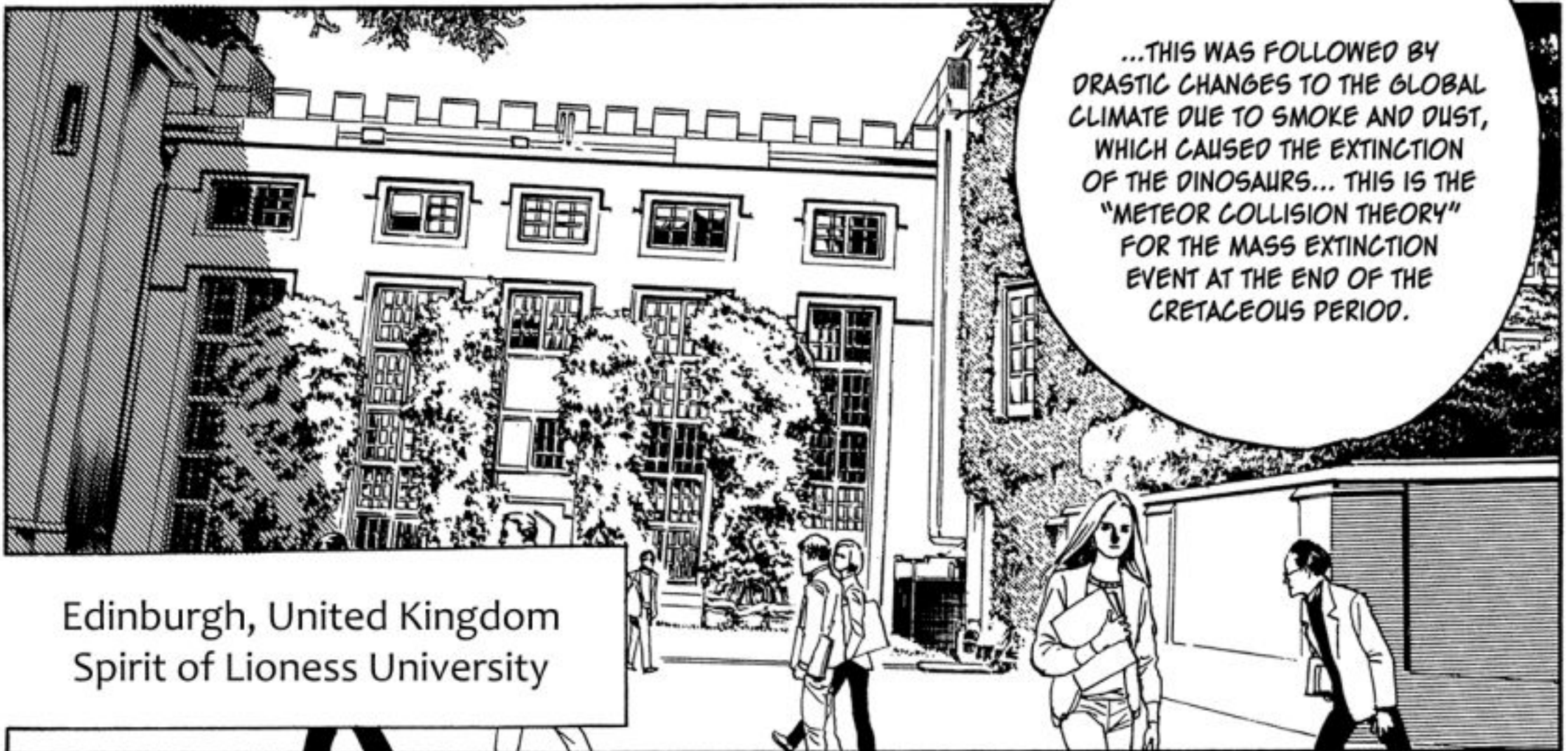


THE
ATMOSPHERE
CAUGHT ON
FIRE!



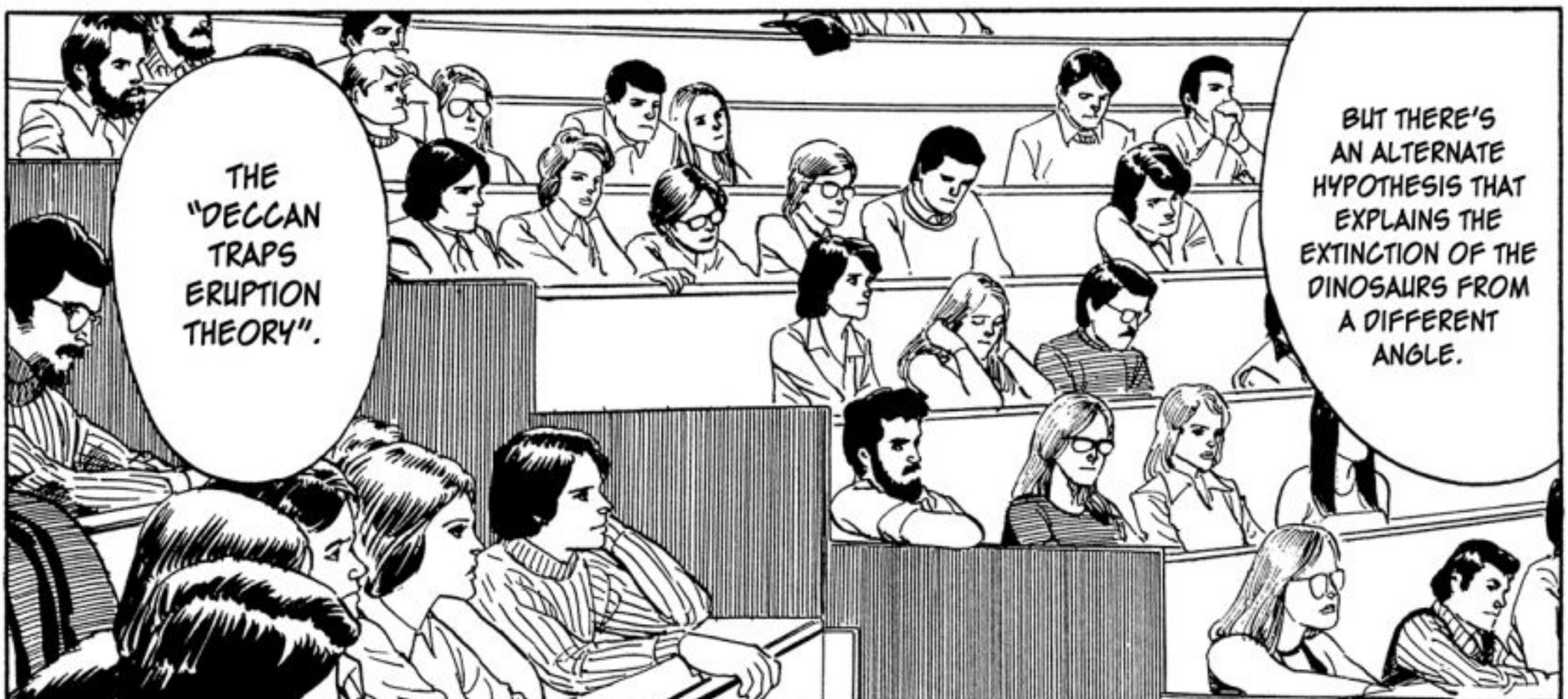
TSUNAMIS
THOUSANDS
OF METERS
HIGH CRASHED
OVER THE LAND,
WASHING AWAY
ALL LIFE!





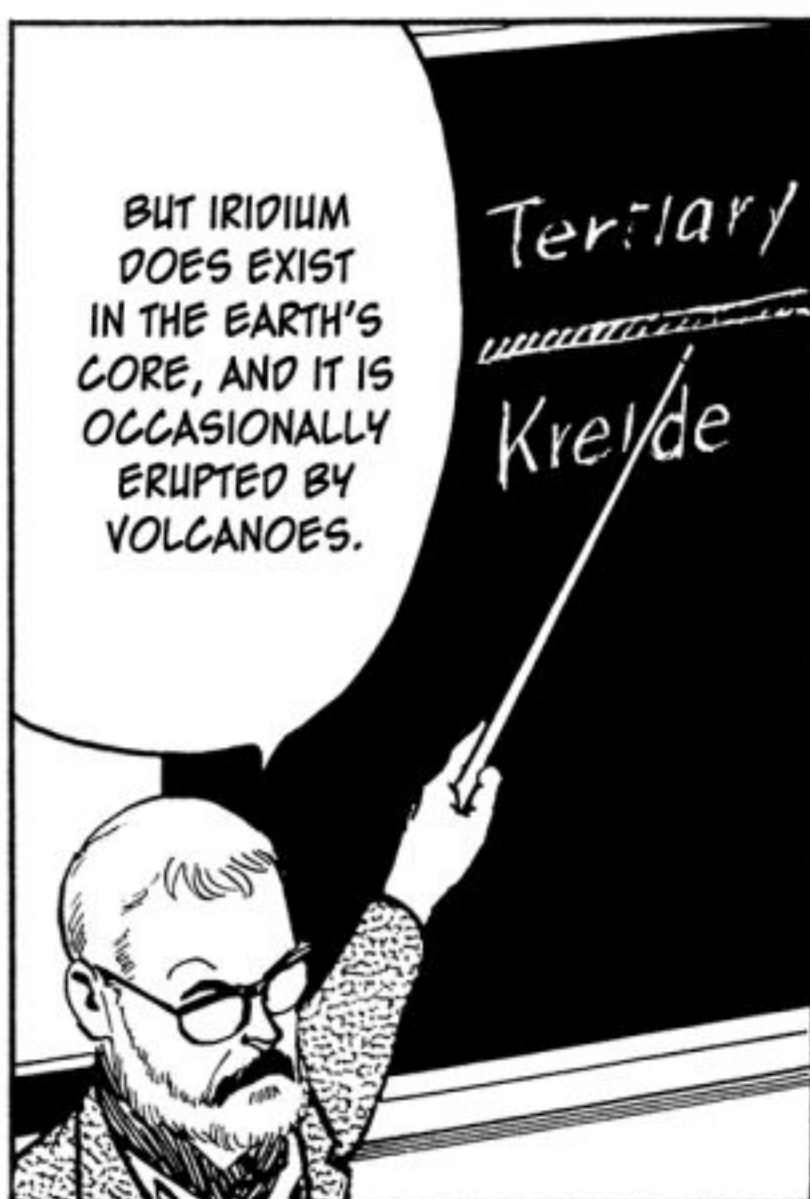
Edinburgh, United Kingdom
Spirit of Lioness University

...THIS WAS FOLLOWED BY
DRASTIC CHANGES TO THE GLOBAL
CLIMATE DUE TO SMOKE AND DUST,
WHICH CAUSED THE EXTINCTION
OF THE DINOSAURS... THIS IS THE
"METEOR COLLISION THEORY"
FOR THE MASS EXTINCTION
EVENT AT THE END OF THE
CRETACEOUS PERIOD.



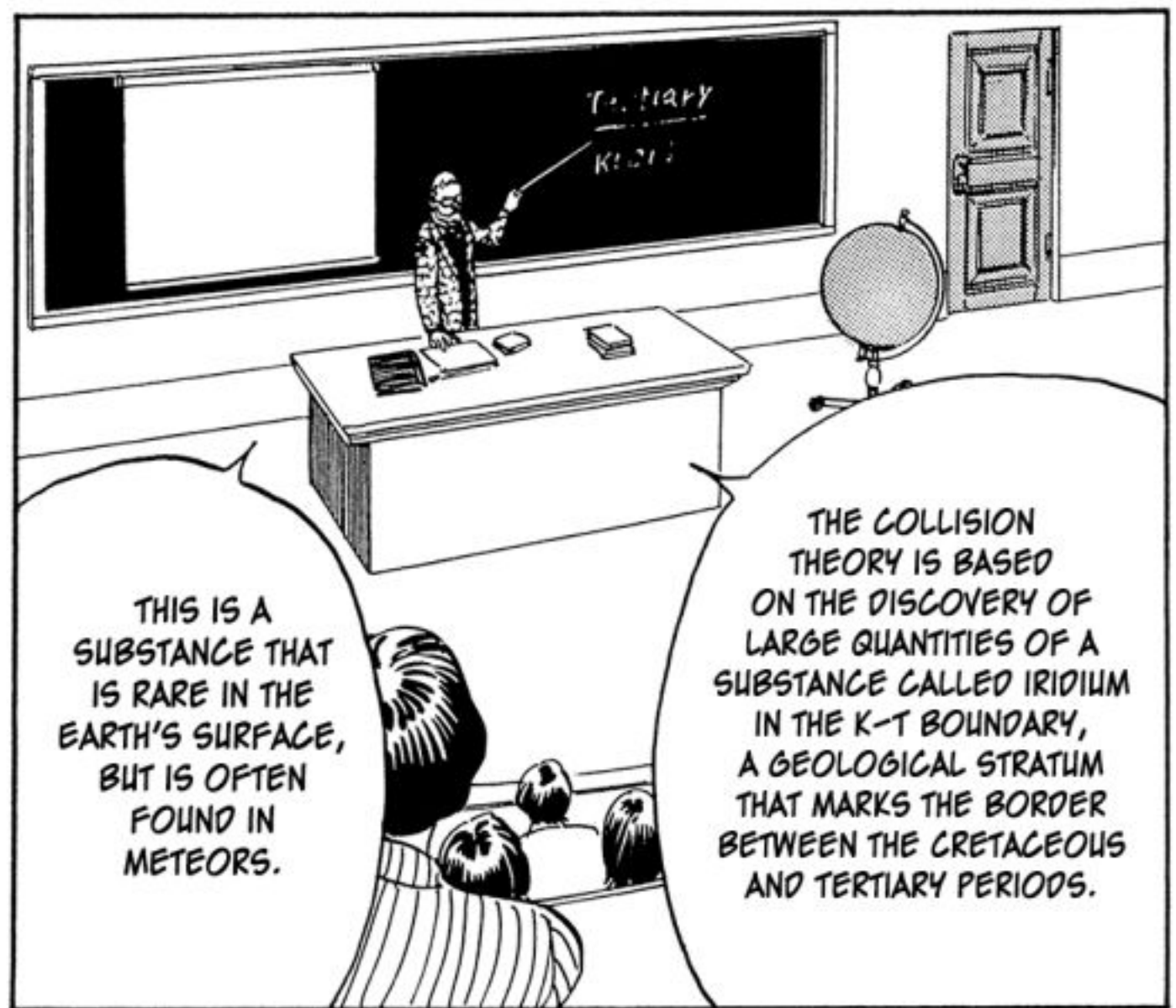
THE
"DECCAN
TRAPS
ERUPTION
THEORY".

BUT THERE'S
AN ALTERNATE
HYPOTHESIS THAT
EXPLAINS THE
EXTINCTION OF THE
DINOSAURS FROM
A DIFFERENT
ANGLE.



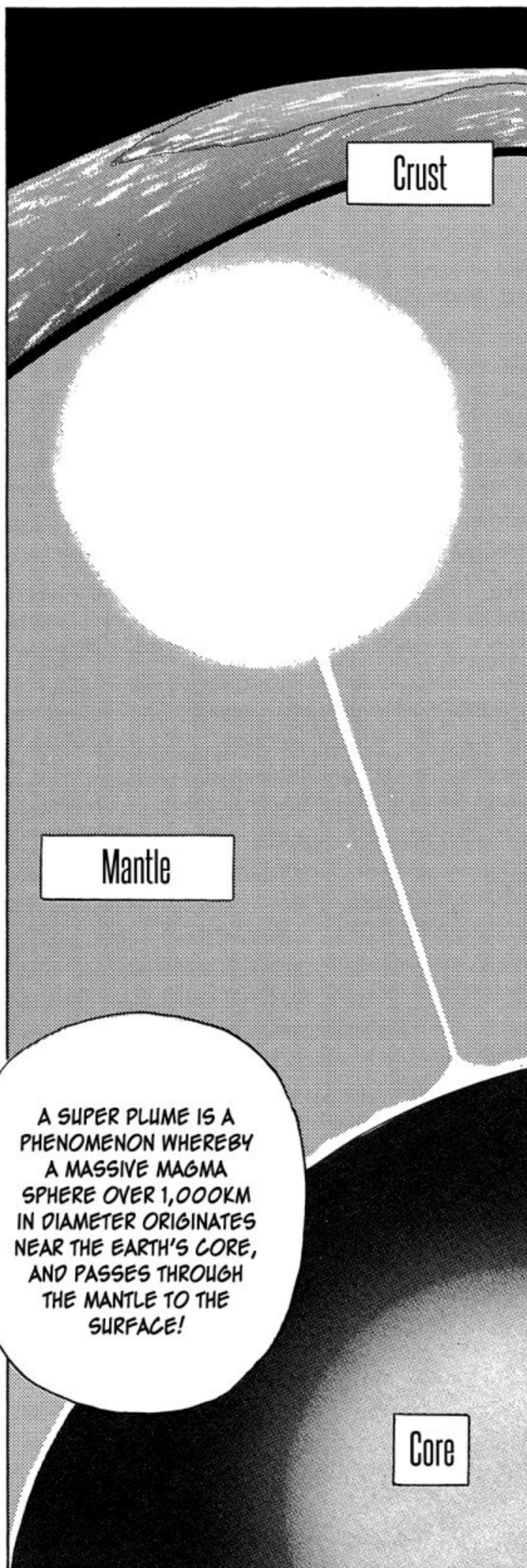
BUT IRIIDIUM
DOES EXIST
IN THE EARTH'S
CORE, AND IT IS
OCCASIONALLY
ERUPTED BY
VOLCANOES.

Tertiary
Kreide



THIS IS A
SUBSTANCE THAT
IS RARE IN THE
EARTH'S SURFACE,
BUT IS OFTEN
FOUND IN
METEORS.

THE COLLISION
THEORY IS BASED
ON THE DISCOVERY OF
LARGE QUANTITIES OF A
SUBSTANCE CALLED IRIIDIUM
IN THE K-T BOUNDARY,
A GEOLOGICAL STRATUM
THAT MARKS THE BORDER
BETWEEN THE CRETACEOUS
AND TERTIARY PERIODS.

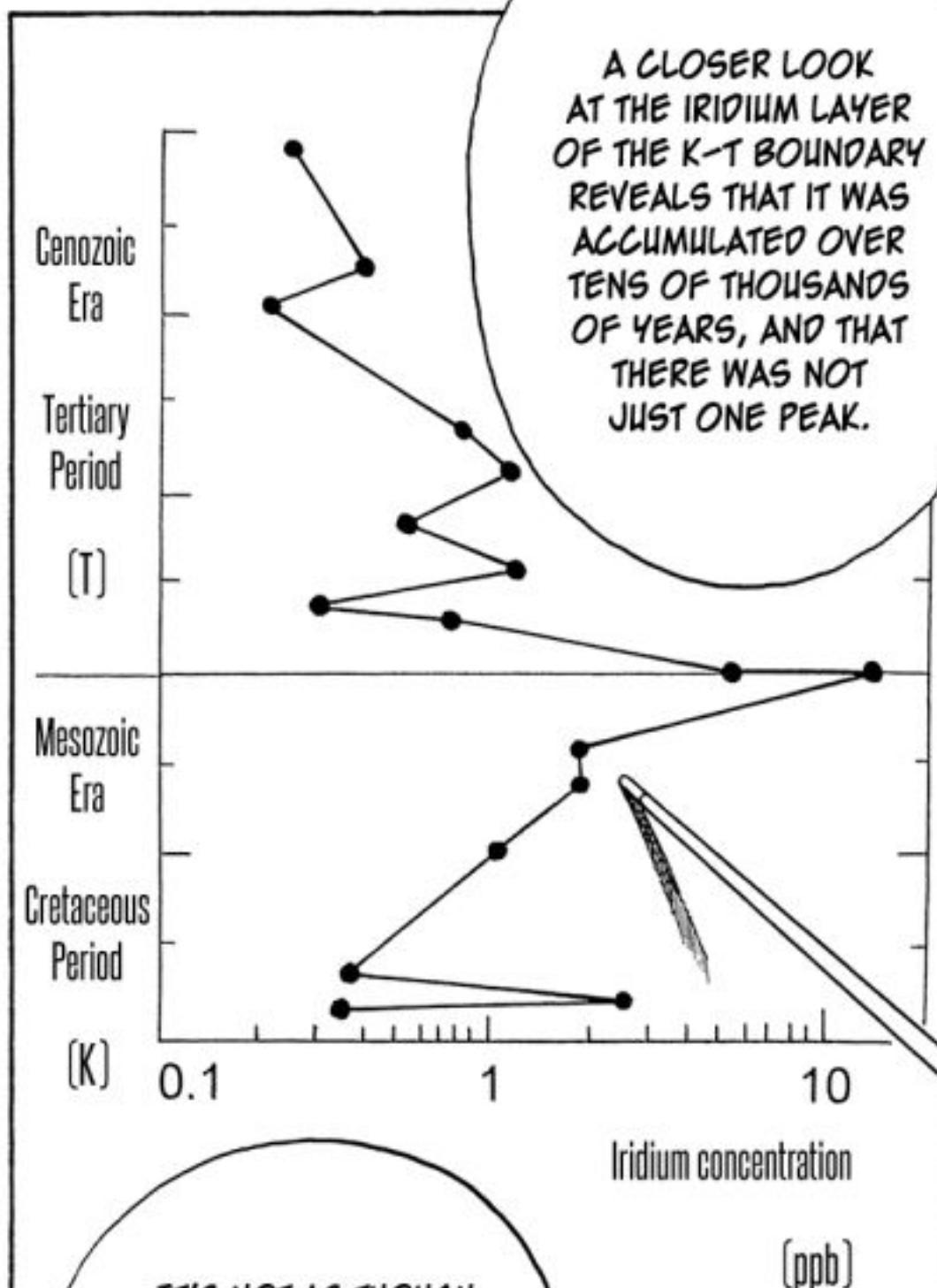


Crust

Mantle

Core

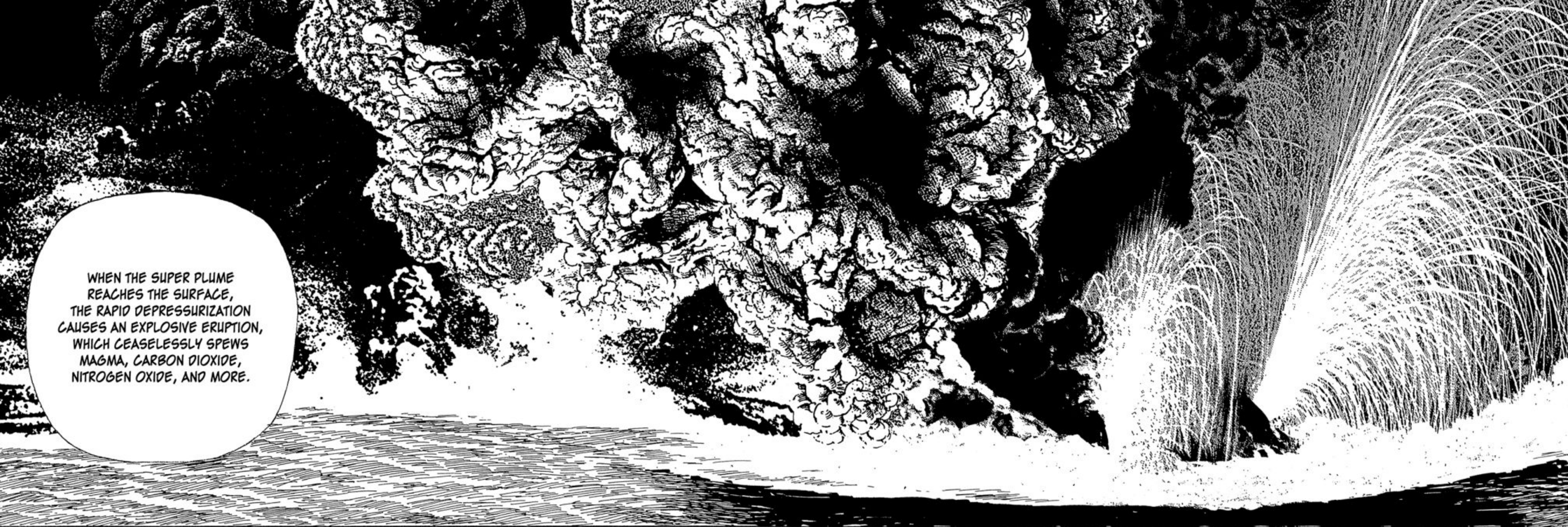
A SUPER PLUME IS A PHENOMENON WHEREBY A MASSIVE MAGMA SPHERE OVER 1,000KM IN DIAMETER ORIGINATES NEAR THE EARTH'S CORE, AND PASSES THROUGH THE MANTLE TO THE SURFACE!



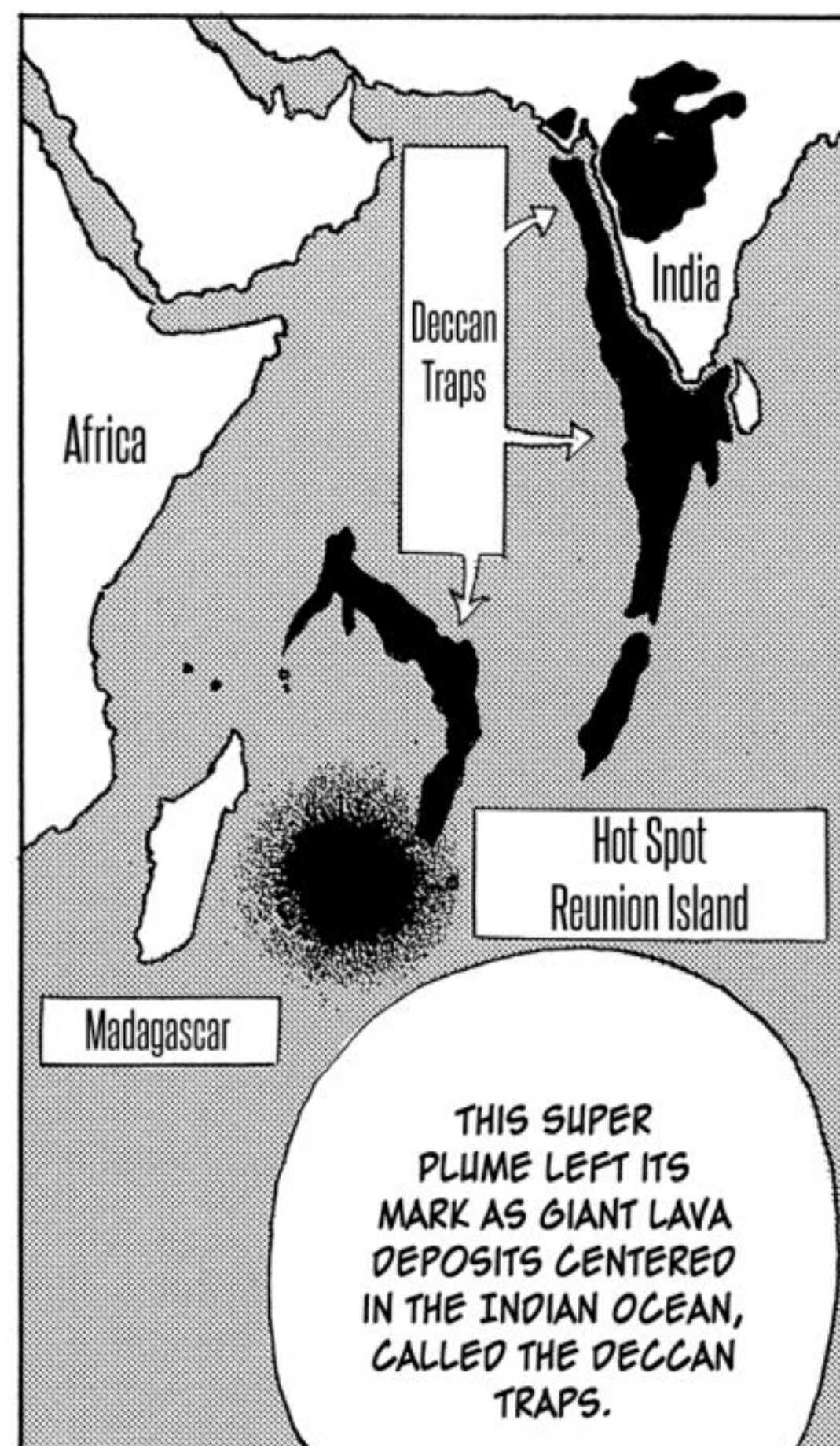
IT'S NOT AS THOUGH METEORS WOULD COLLIDE WITH THE EARTH CONSISTENTLY OVER THAT TIME. THE COLLISION THEORY DOESN'T EXPLAIN THIS.

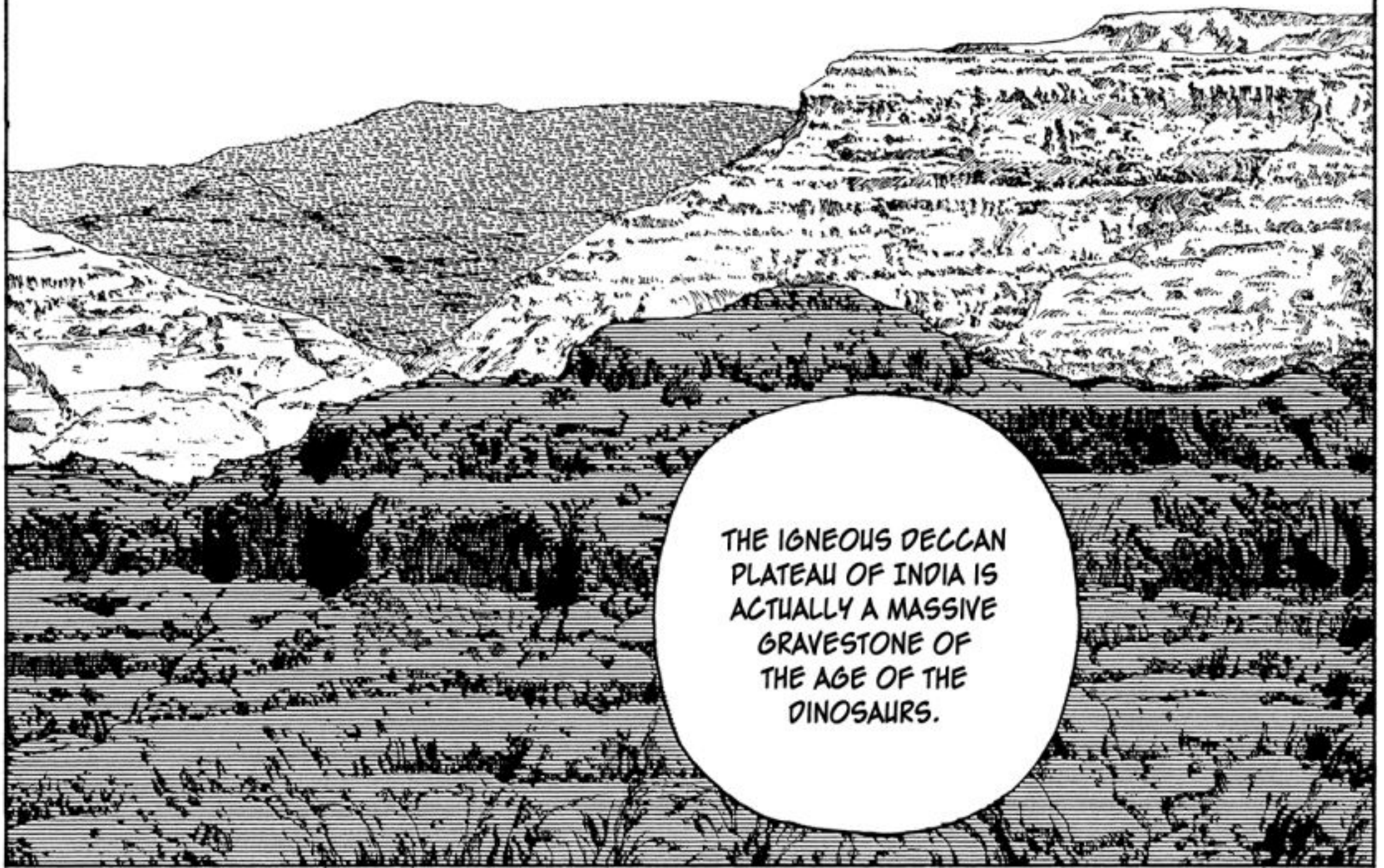
THAT MEANS THERE WAS A VOLCANIC ERUPTION MASSIVE ENOUGH TO SPEW MASSIVE QUANTITIES OF SUBSTANCES IN THE EARTH'S MANTLE FOR TENS OF THOUSANDS OF YEARS.

WE CALL THIS A SUPER PLUME!

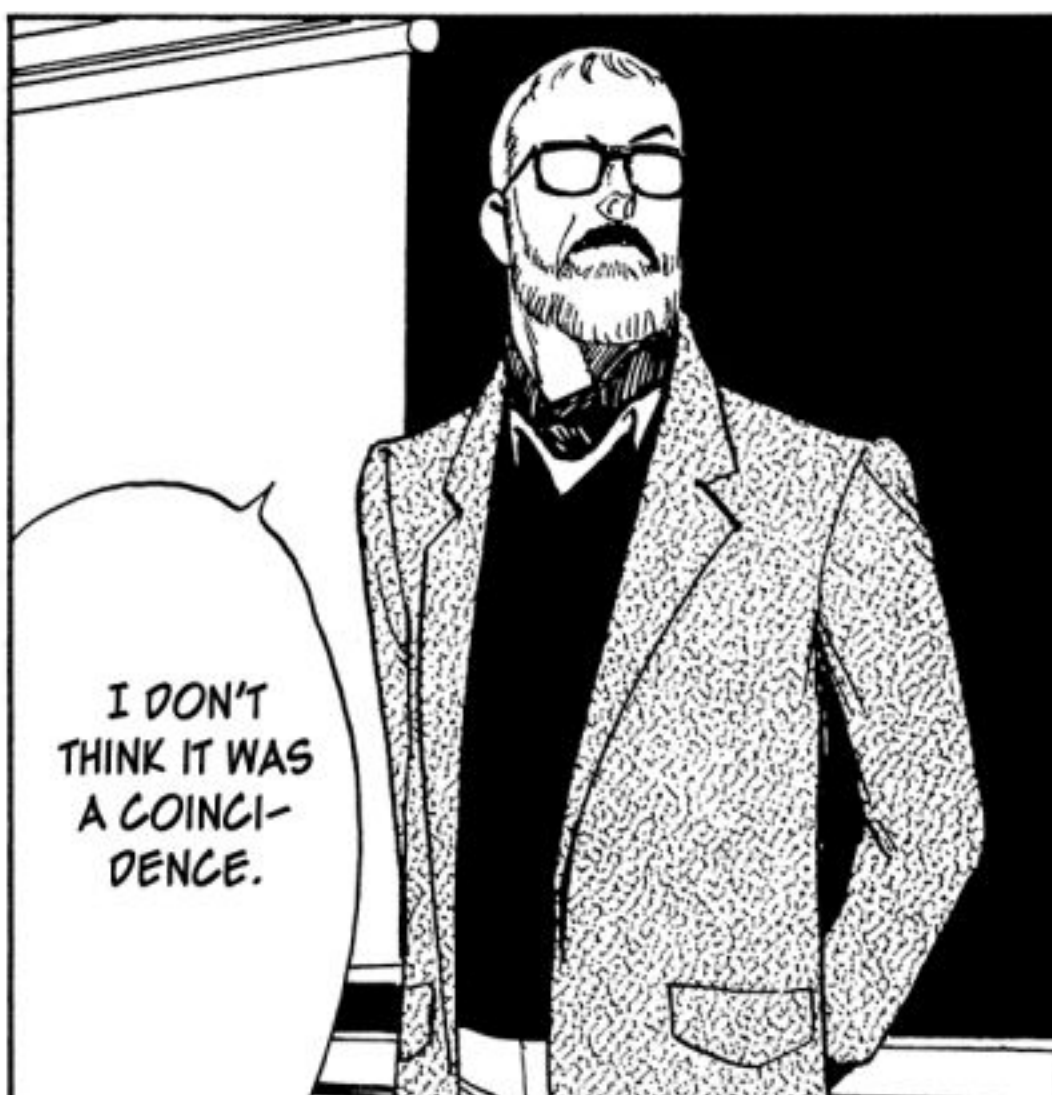
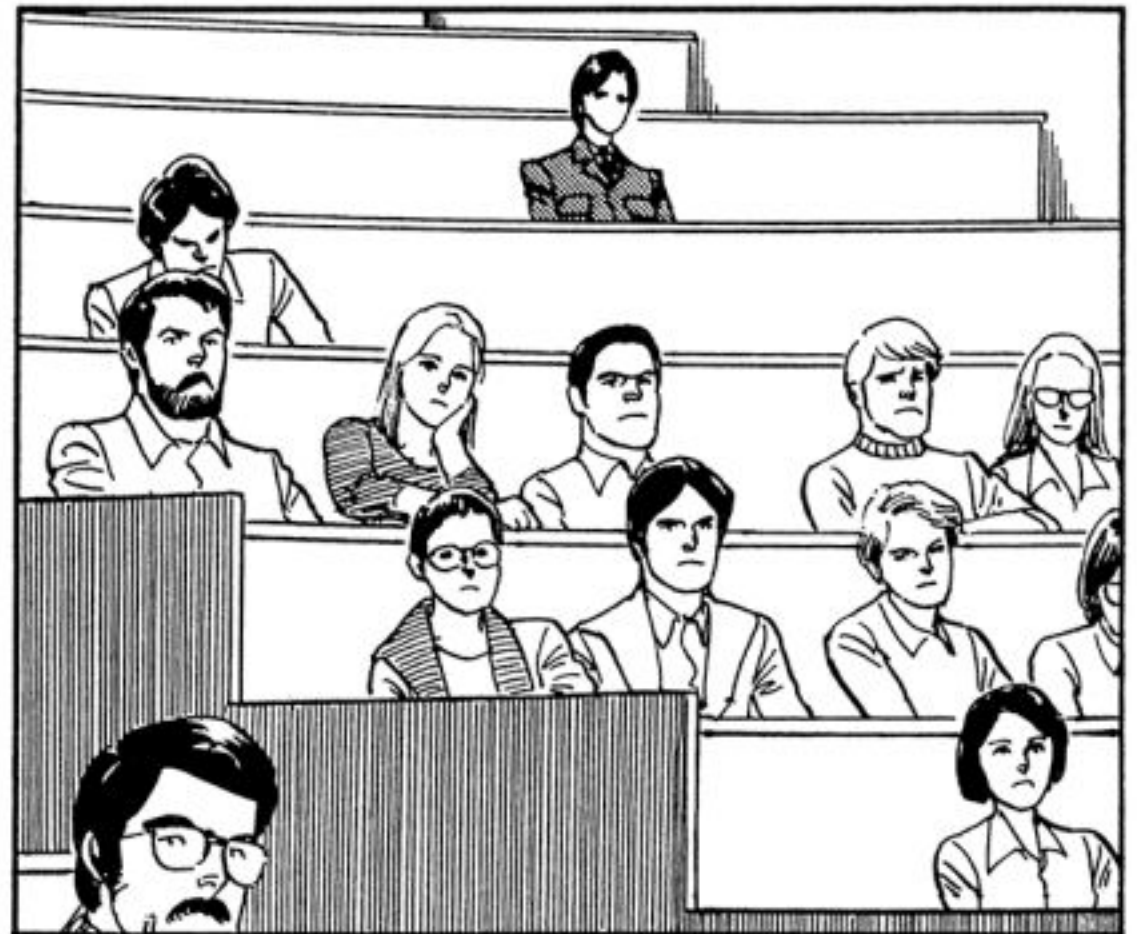
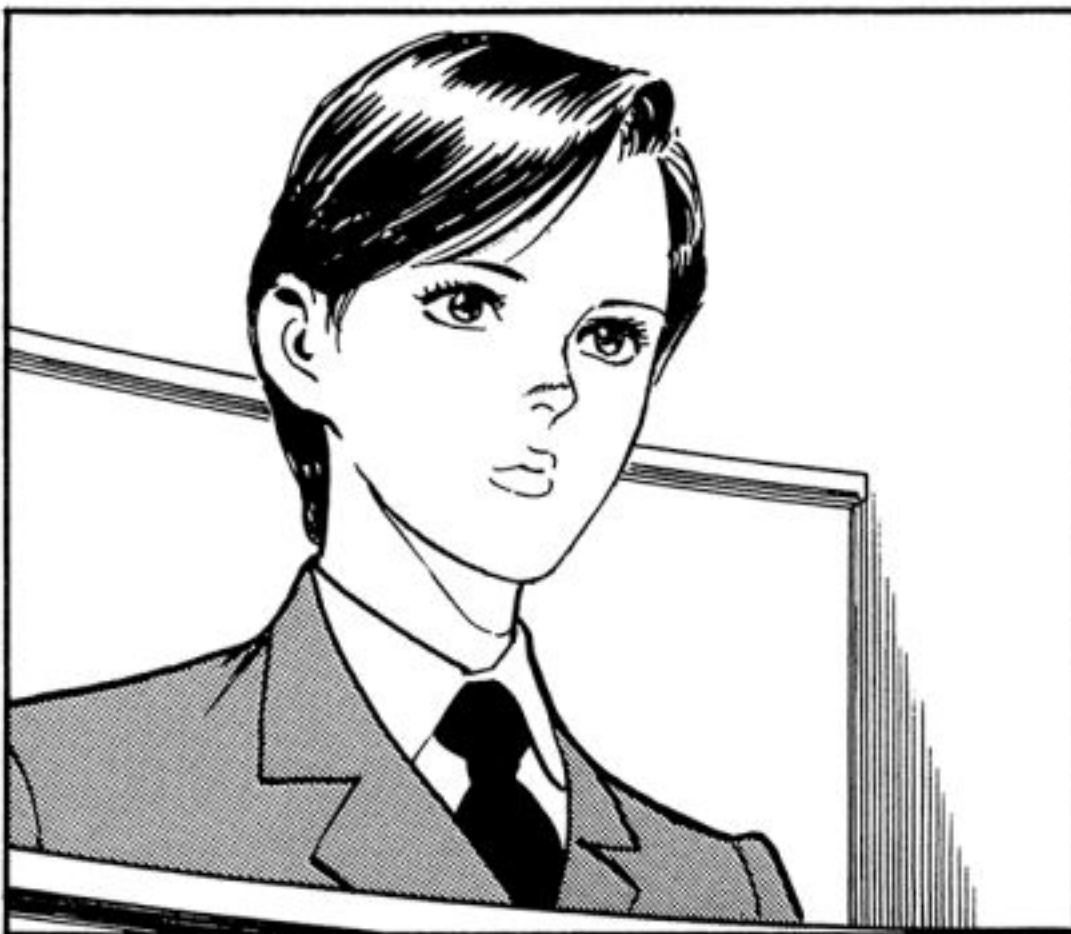


WHEN THE SUPER PLUME
REACHES THE SURFACE,
THE RAPID DEPRESSURIZATION
CAUSES AN EXPLOSIVE ERUPTION,
WHICH CEASELESSLY SPEWS
MAGMA, CARBON DIOXIDE,
NITROGEN OXIDE, AND MORE.





THE IGNEOUS DECCAN
PLATEAU OF INDIA IS
ACTUALLY A MASSIVE
GRAVESTONE OF
THE AGE OF THE
DINOSAURS.

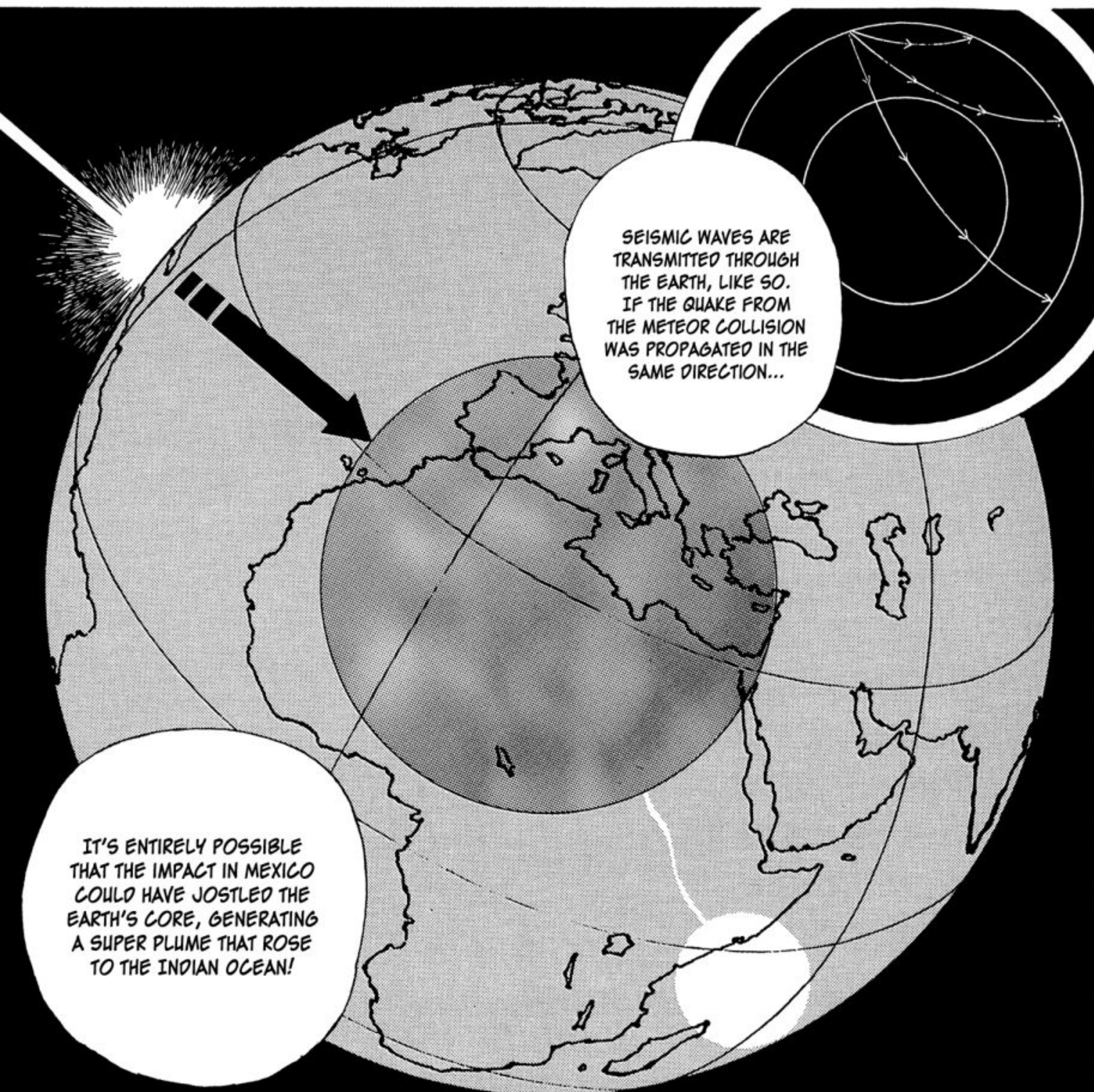


I DON'T
THINK IT WAS
A COINCI-
DENCE.

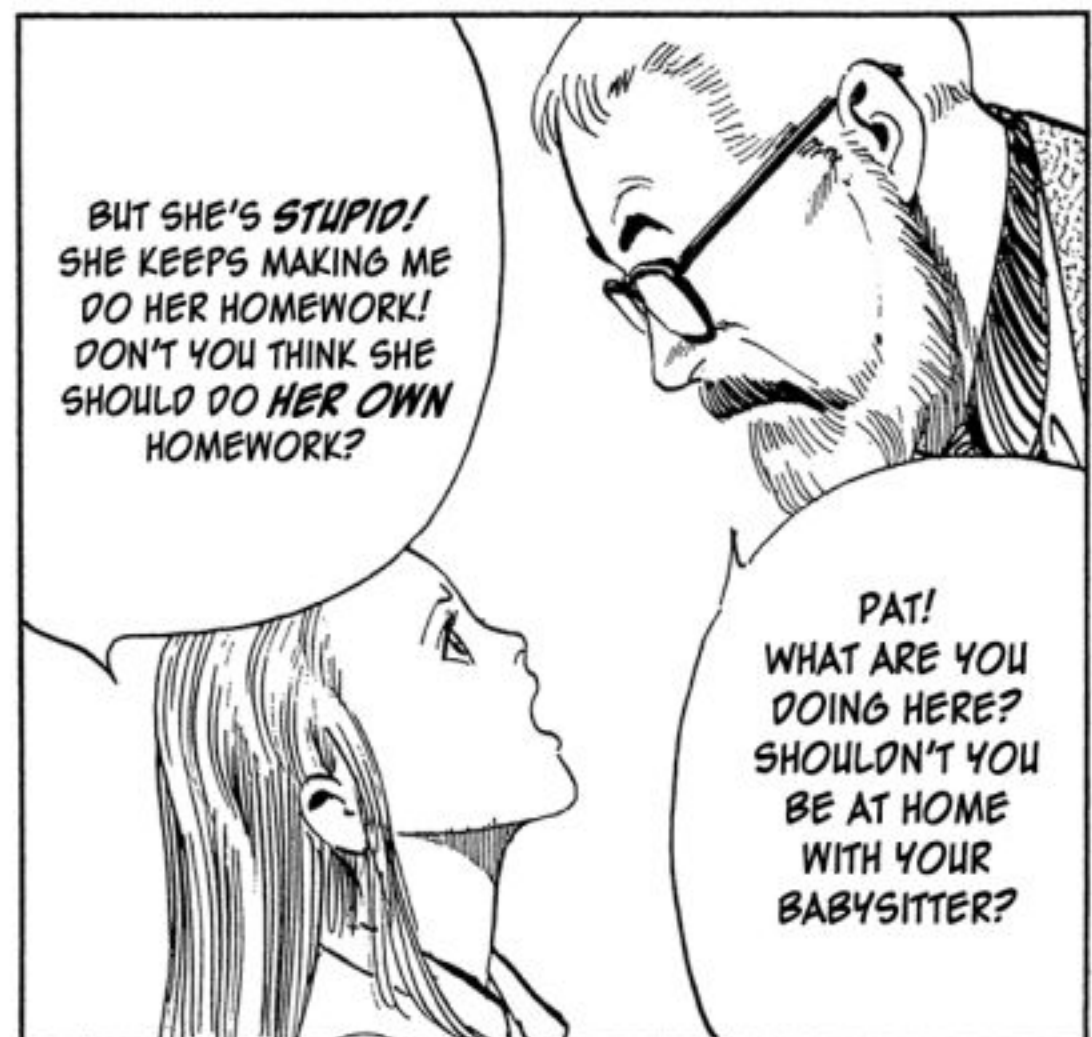


ARE YOU
SUGGESTING
THAT THERE
WERE TWO
CATASTROPHES
THAT OCCURRED
SIMULTANE-
OUSLY?

THIS ALL
SEEMS TO BE
TOO GOOD TO
BE A COINCI-
DENCE...









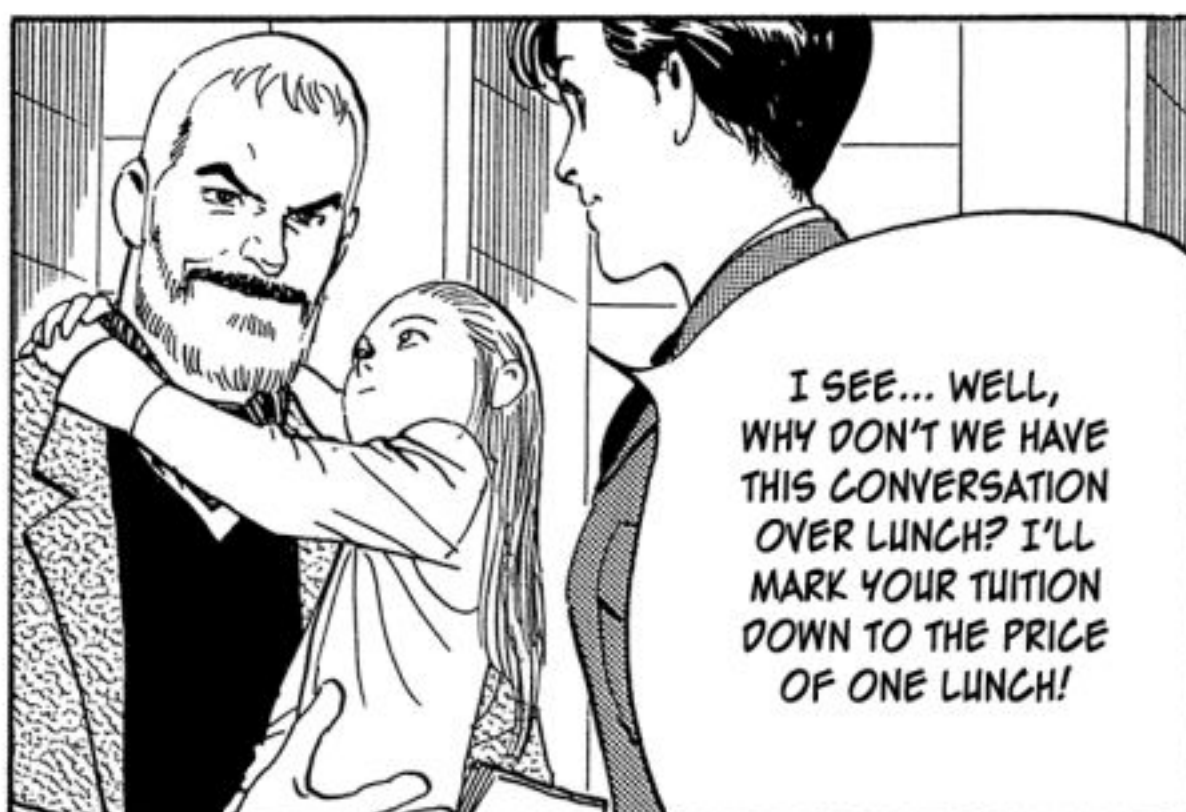
YOU ARE AWARE OF
WHAT HAPPENED TO
THE BLUE HOLE IN
THE WATERS OF
MADAGASCAR,
CORRECT?



THERE'S
AN UNOFFICIAL
CONFERENCE
SCHEDULED FOR
TOMORROW NIGHT
AT PORTSMOUTH,
AND THE MILITARY
HAS REQUESTED
THAT YOU GIVE A
LECTURE ON
BLUE HOLES.



WITH
PLEASURE.

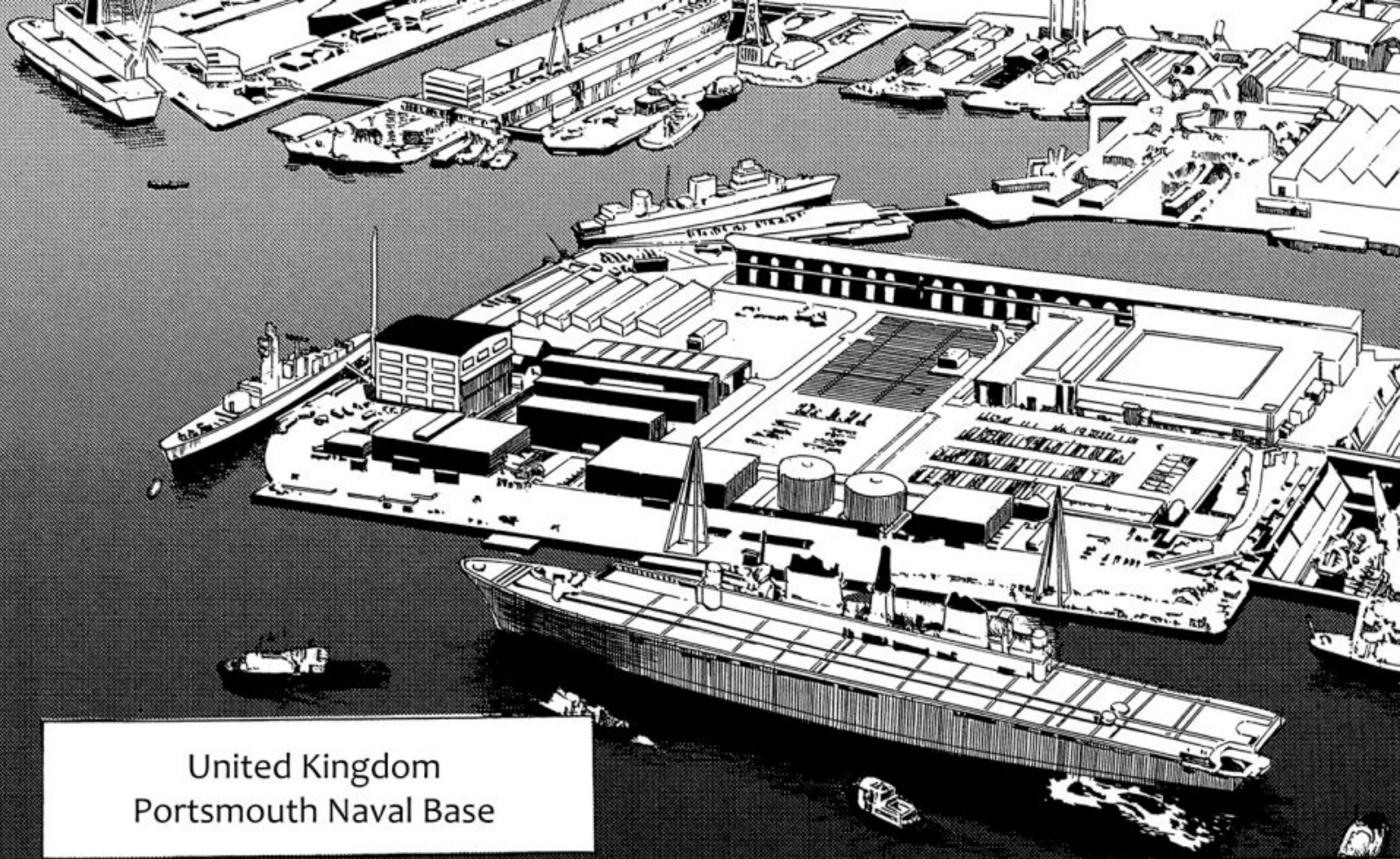


I SEE... WELL,
WHY DON'T WE HAVE
THIS CONVERSATION
OVER LUNCH? I'LL
MARK YOUR TUITION
DOWN TO THE PRICE
OF ONE LUNCH!

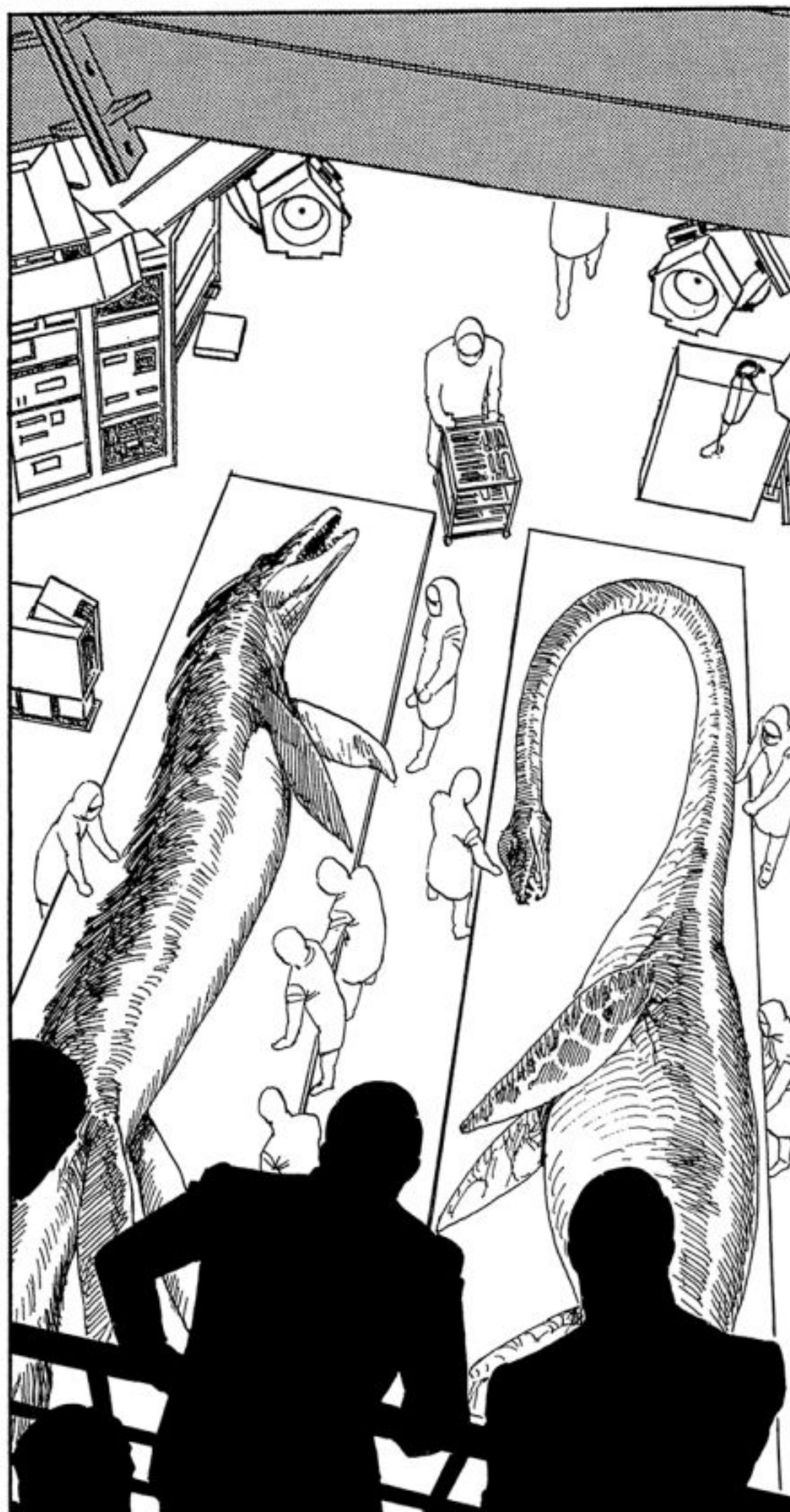


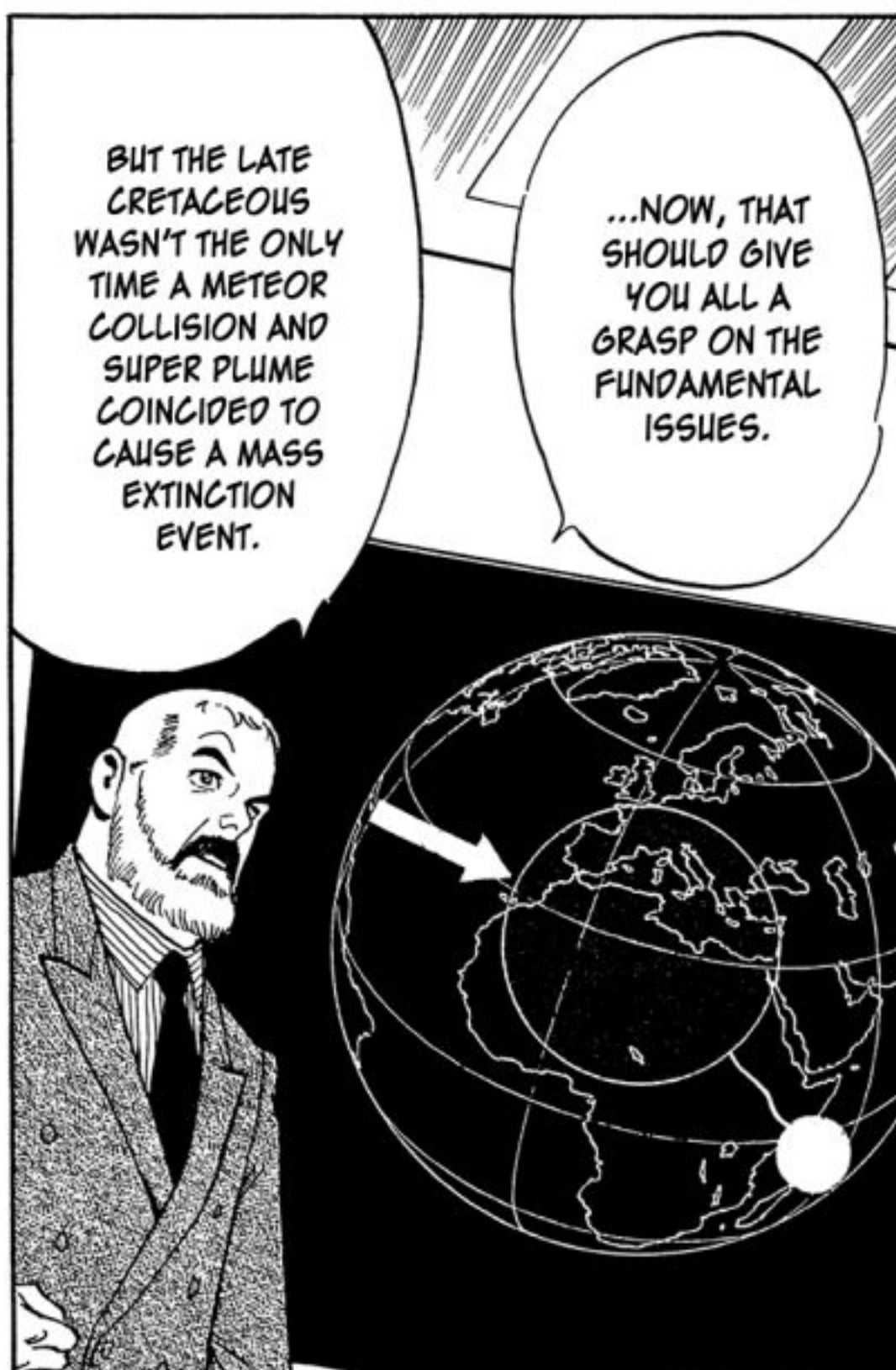
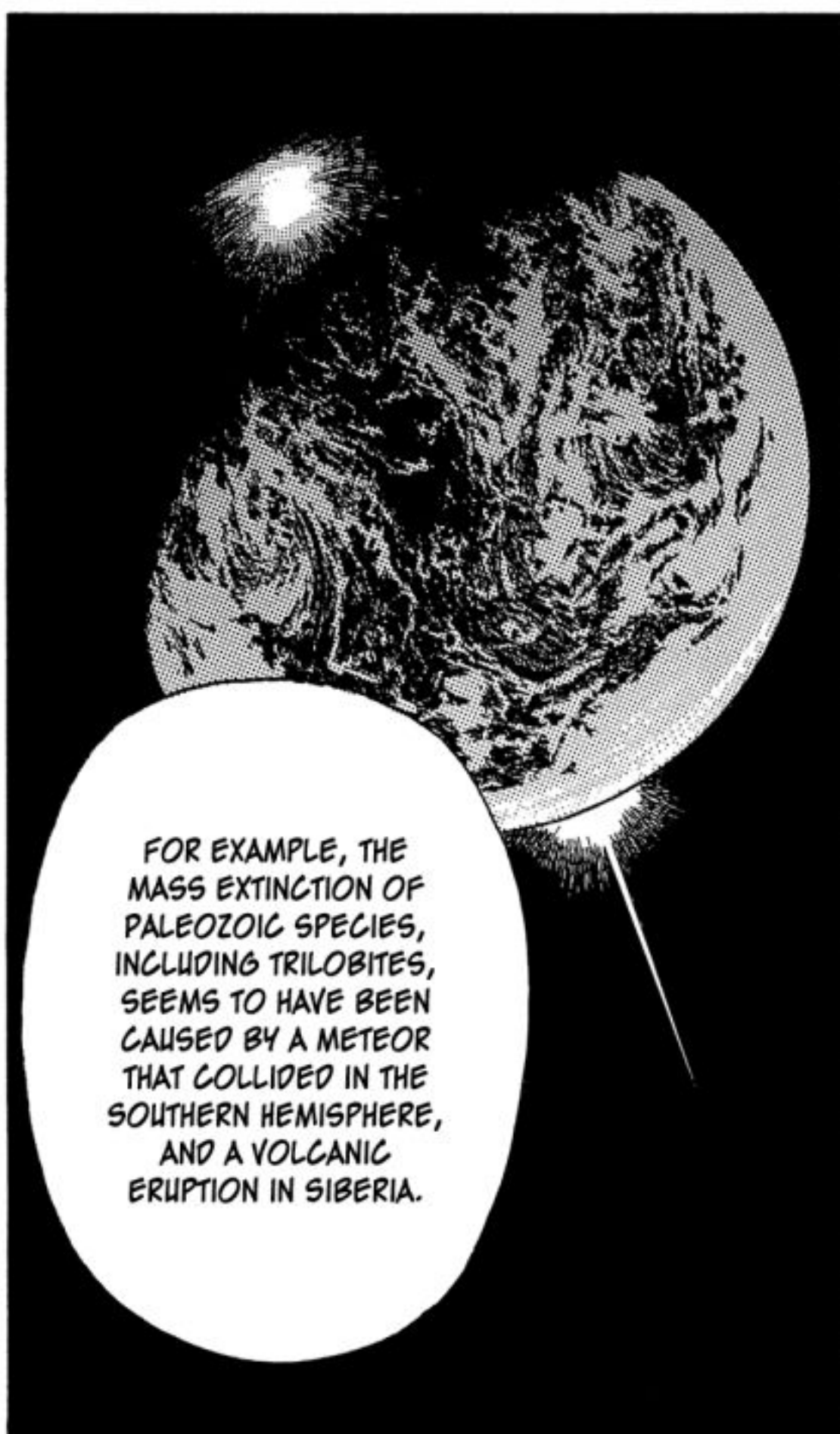
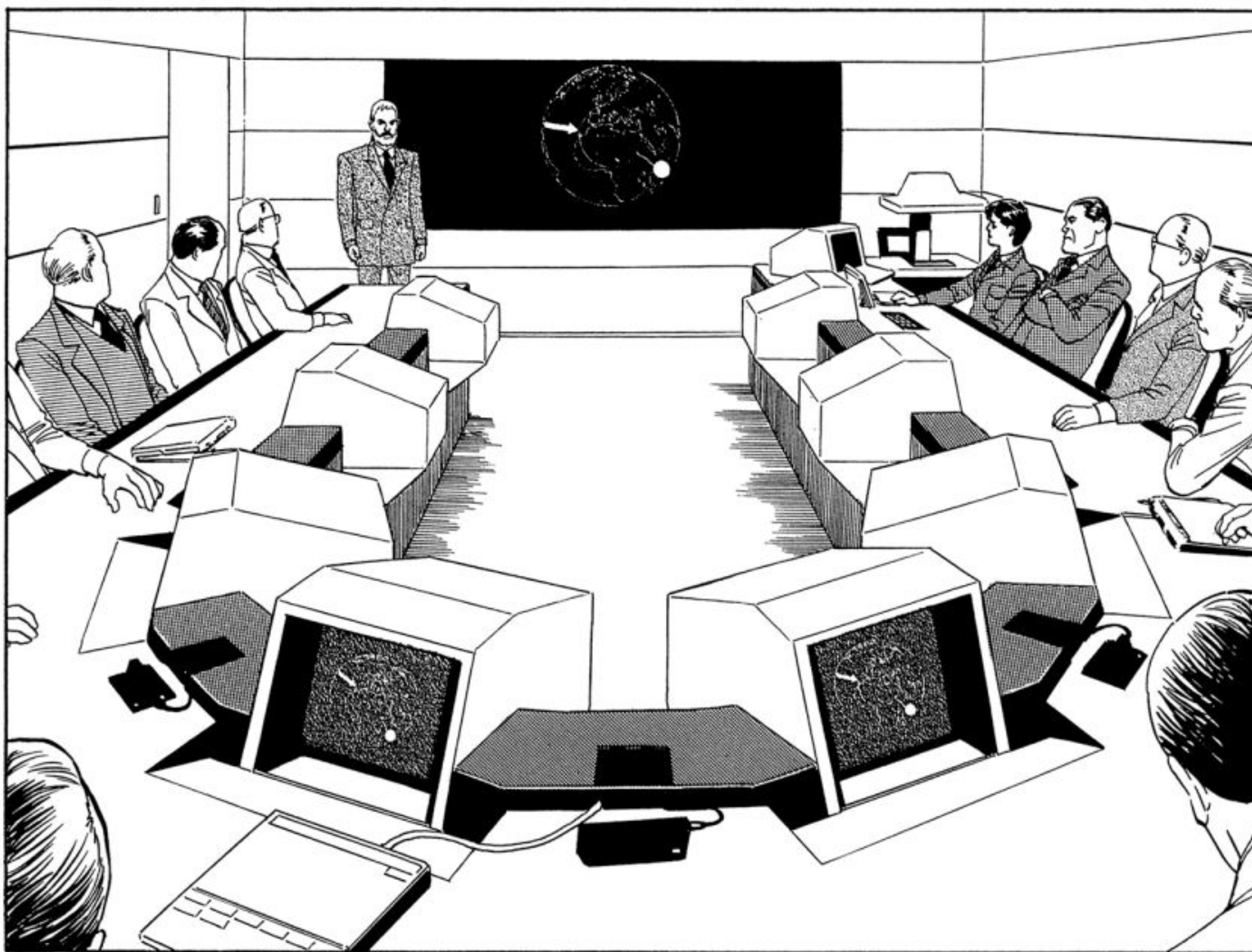
GRANDPA,
I SEE THE
WAY YOU'RE
EYEING HER!

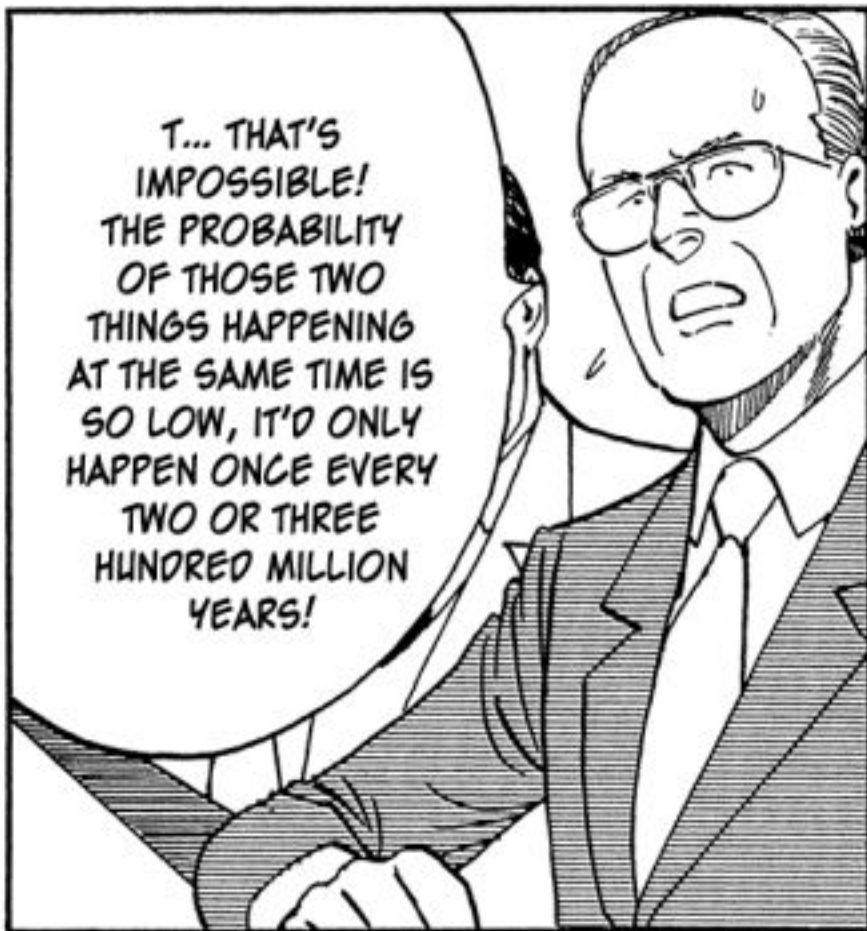
MAKE
THAT TWO
LUNCHES!



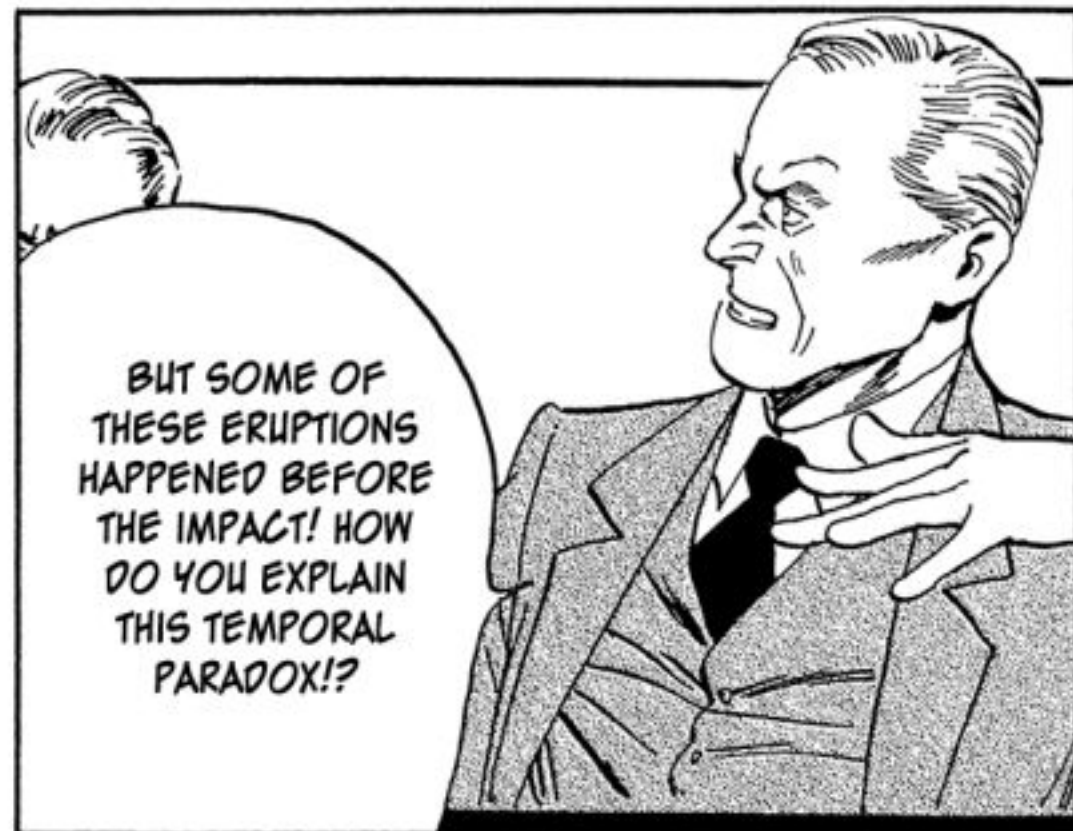
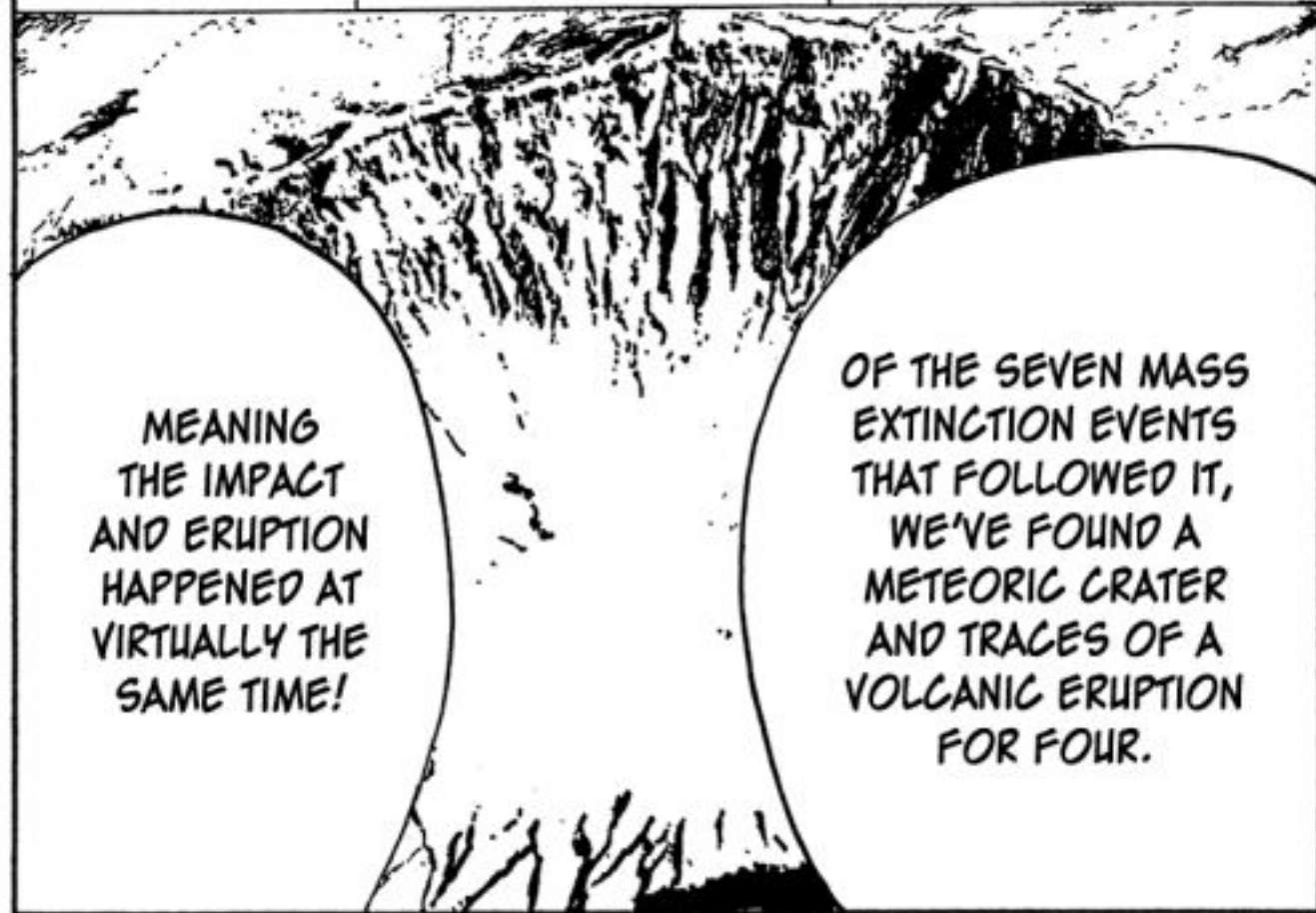
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Extinction Event	Lava Plateau	Impact Crater
14 MYA	Columbia River (America)	Ries Crater (Germany)
35.7-40 MYA	Ethiopia (Africa)	Popigai Crater (Siberia)
65 MYA (Late Cretaceous)	Brito-Arctic (Iceland) Deccan Traps (India)	Manson Crater (America) Chicxulub Crater (Mexico)
210 MYA	North Atlantic Ocean	Manicouagan Crater (Canada)





THE EARTH'S
CORE IS AT THE SAME TIME
ITS CENTER OF GRAVITY, AND AN
ELECTROMAGNETIC DEVICE THAT
GENERATES GEOMAGNETISM...
THAT IS, THE EARTH'S MAGNETIC
FIELD, VIA THE DYNAMO EFFECT
THAT ACCOMPANIES ROTATION.
FLUCTUATIONS IN THE EARTH'S
CRUST CAN CAUSE THE MAGNETIC
FIELD TO VANISH, OR EVEN
REVERSE POLARITY.

IF THE QUAKE
FOLLOWING A METEORIC
IMPACT WERE TO HIT THE CORE,
THE EARTH'S GRAVITY COULD
VERY WELL GO OFF KILTER,
THROWING THE EARTH OFF ITS
AXIS, AND TEARING APART THE
GEOMAGNETIC FIELD, CAUSING
ALL SORTS OF ABNORMAL
PHENOMENA BEYOND OUR
WILDEST IMAGINATION.

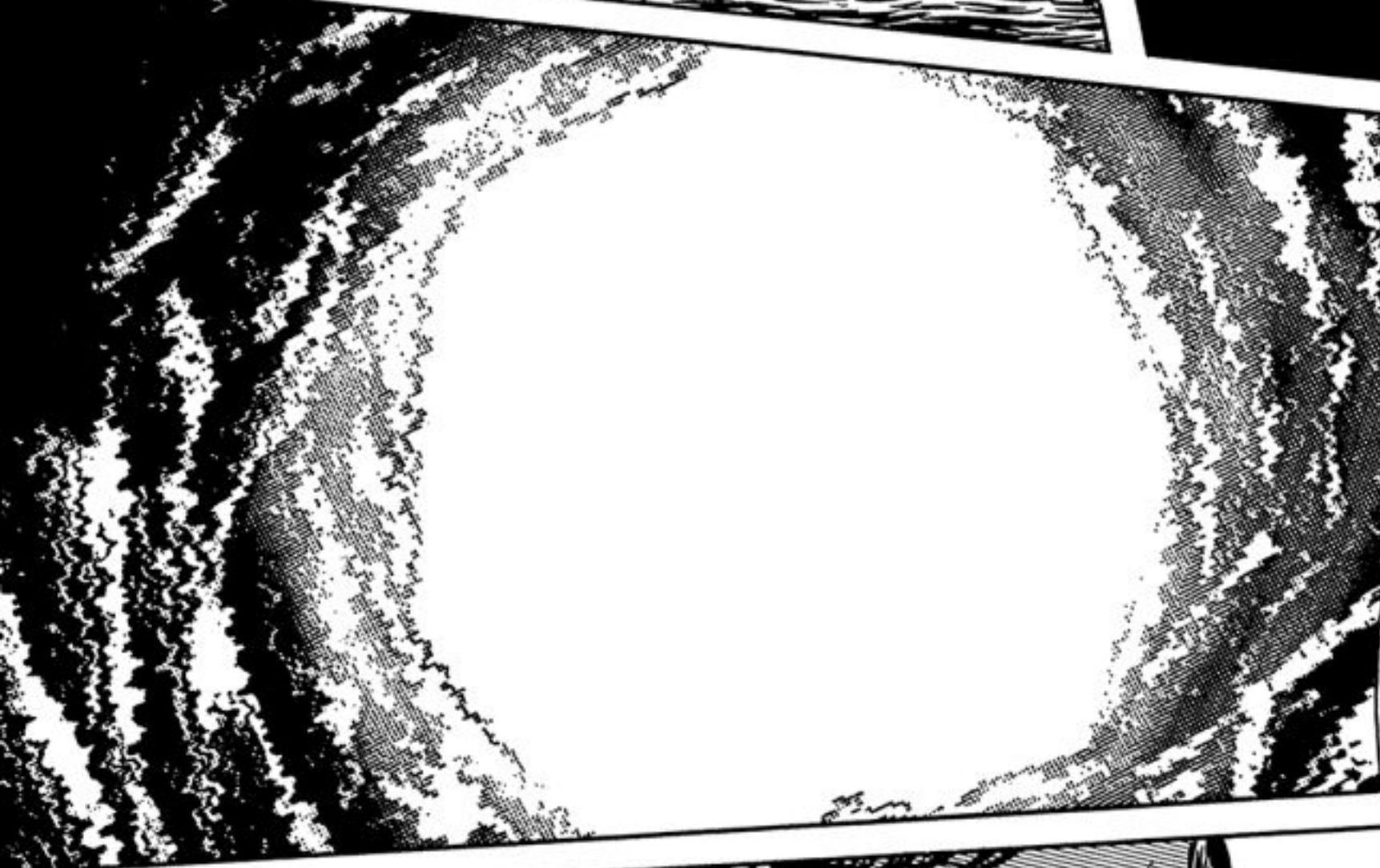
SO IF THE SUPER
PLUME GENERATED A
LOOP-SHAPED MAGNETIC
FIELD AT THE CORE,
WHICH WARPED SPACE-
TIME INTO THE PAST...



CAUSING
A VOLCANIC
ERUPTION BEFORE
THE METEOR
COLLISION!

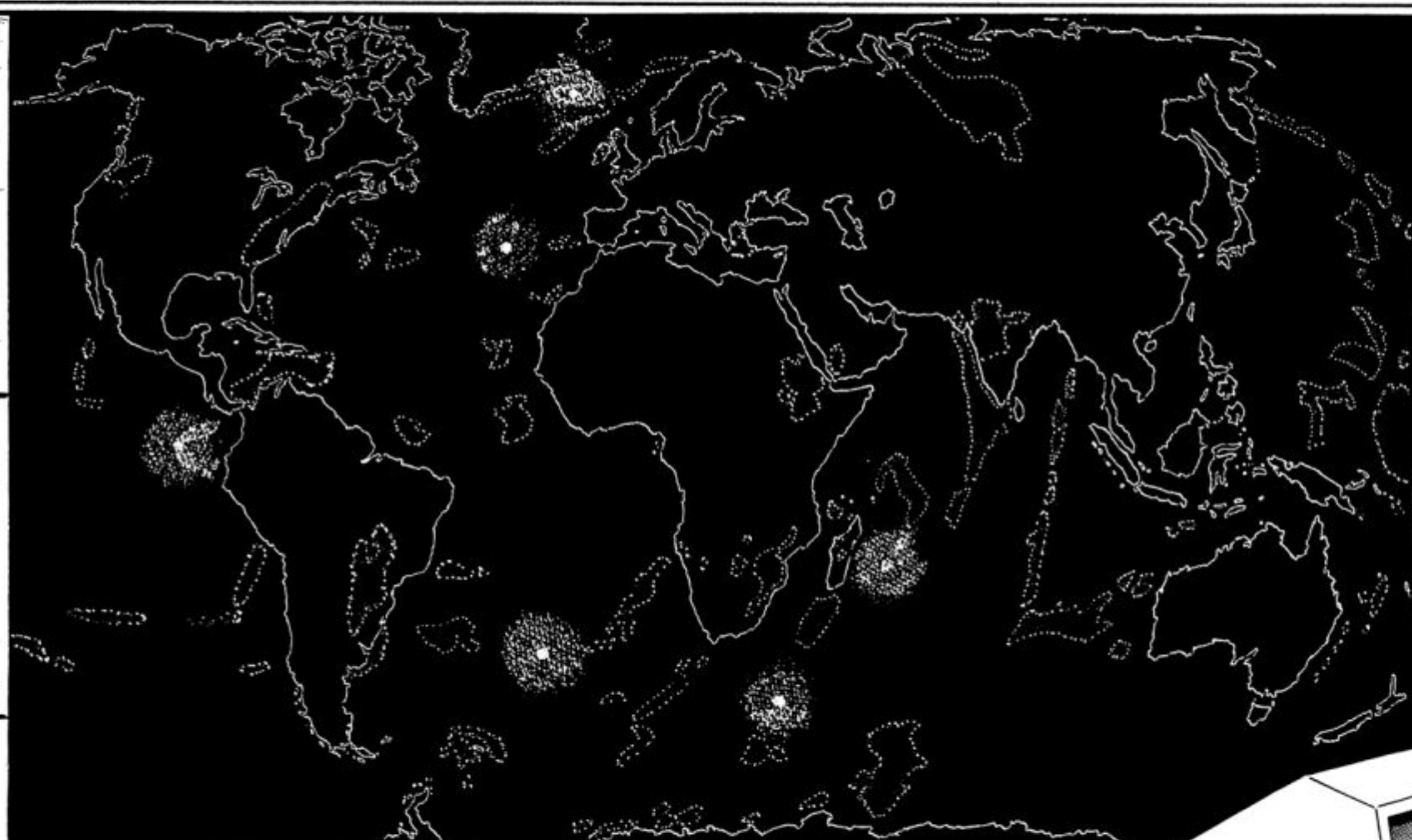


THIS COULD MEAN
THAT THE NEWBORN
PLUME COULD BE
CAUGHT IN A LOOP,
AND RISE TO THE
SURFACE OF THE
PAST WORLD...



AND THE
MAGNETIC LOOP, WHICH
ARRIVES AT THE EARTH'S
SURFACE WITH THE PLUME,
REMAINS ON THE SEA
FLOOR, FORMING WHAT
WE CALL A "HOLE",
OR A "BLUE HOLE"!







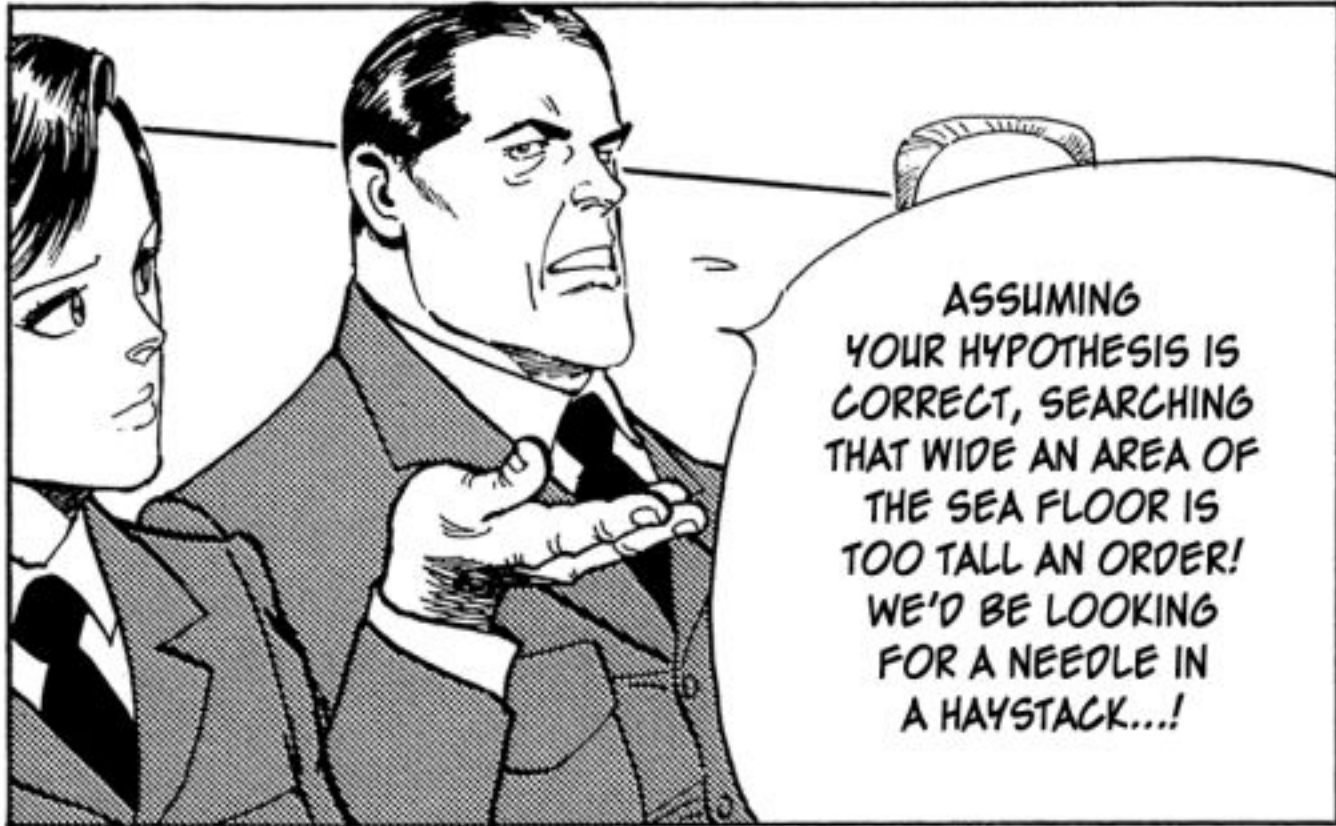
IT'S CLOSE
TO THE KAROO
MAGMA PROVINCE
OF SOUTH AFRICA,
BUT ALSO TO THE
DECCAN TRAPS
HOT SPOT*.

THIS MAP SHOWS
THE DISTRIBUTION OF
THE TRACES OF SUPER
PLUME ERUPTIONS...
THAT IS TO SAY, LAVA
PLATEAUS, AROUND THE
WORLD. THE BLUE HOLE
OFF THE SHORE OF
MADAGASCAR IS
RIGHT HERE.

*Hot spot: A magma eruption point under the Earth's crust. While lava plateaus move with the plates, the hot spots do not.



IF MY HYPOTHESIS IS
CORRECT, THE TEN-ODD
PLUME TRACES AROUND
THE WORLD SHOULD HAVE
BLUE HOLES NEAR THEM!



ASSUMING
YOUR HYPOTHESIS IS
CORRECT, SEARCHING
THAT WIDE AN AREA OF
THE SEA FLOOR IS
TOO TALL AN ORDER!
WE'D BE LOOKING
FOR A NEEDLE IN
A HAYSTACK...!

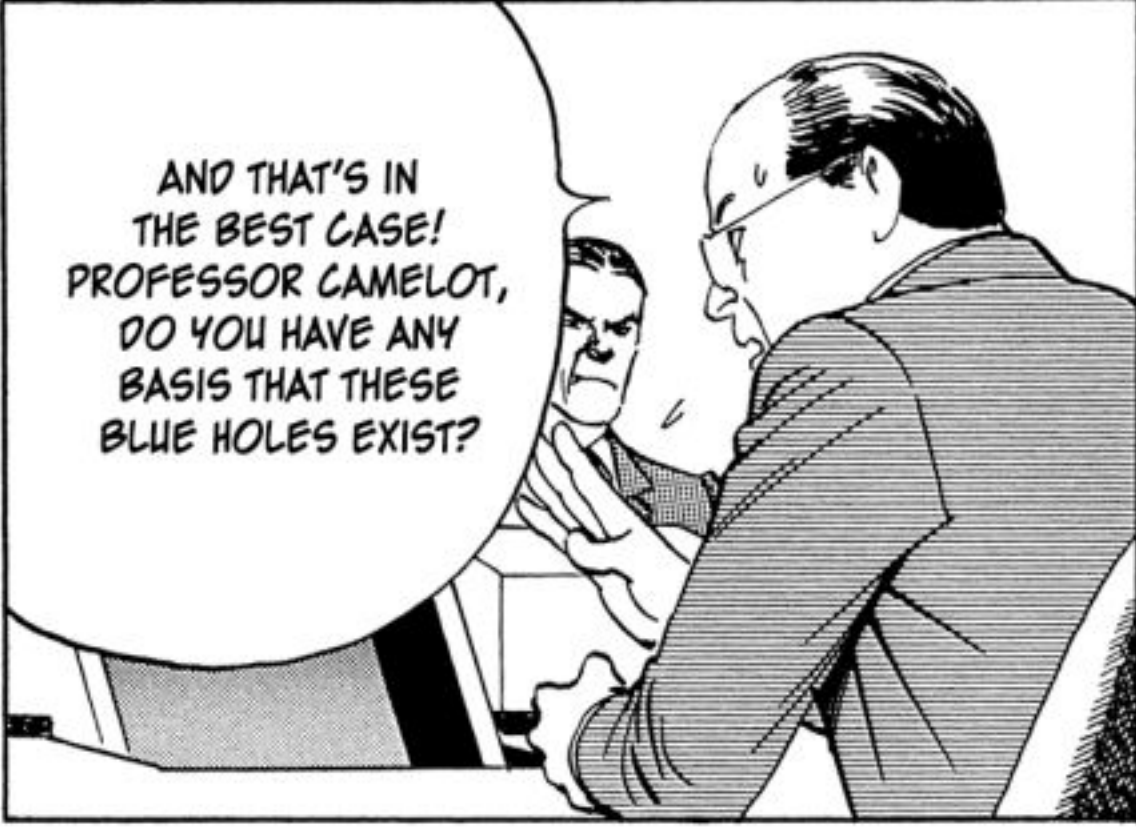


THAT
MANY...?

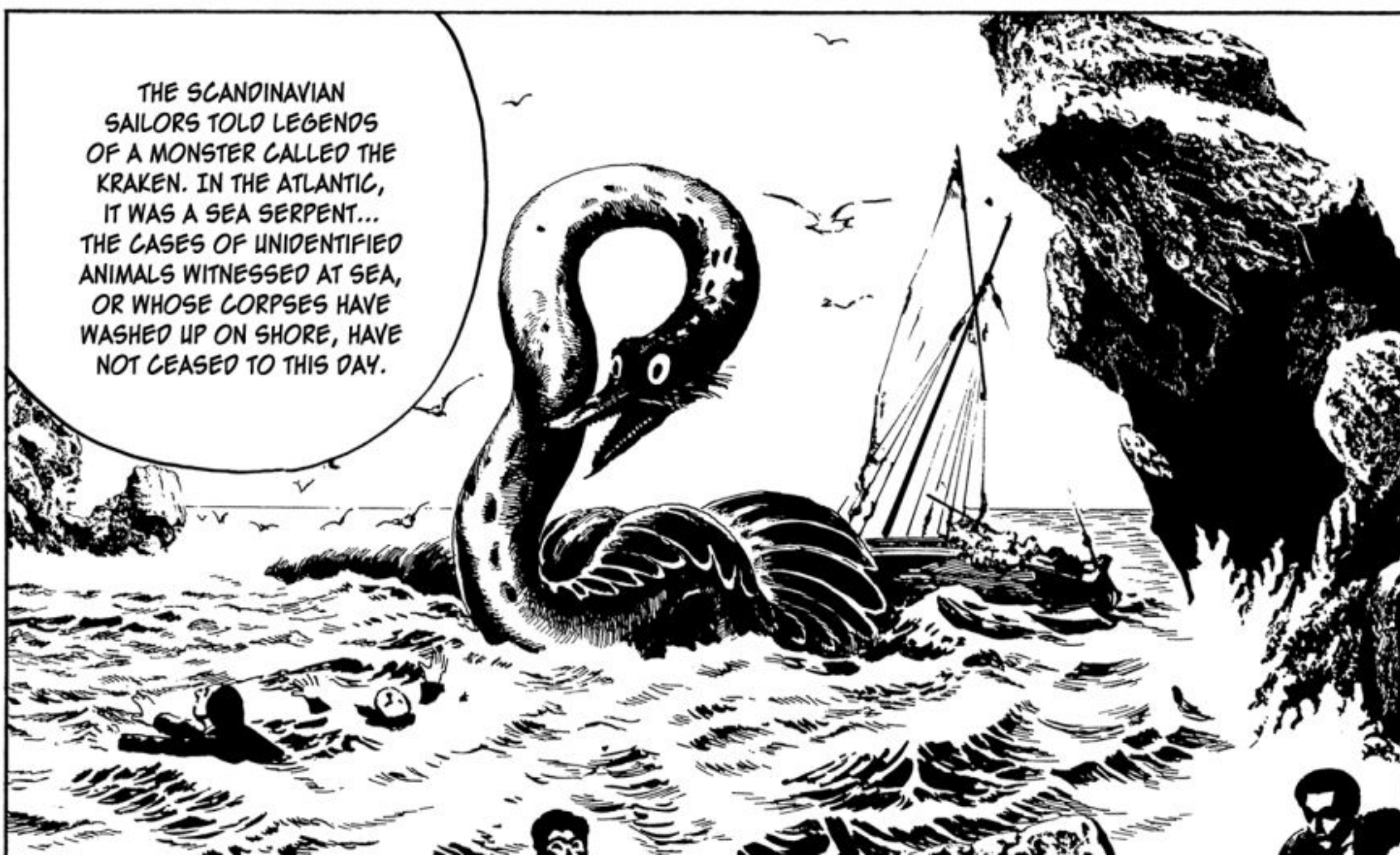


I'LL EXPLAIN
THE THEORETICAL
BASIS LATER ON.
BUT HOW ABOUT
THIS FOR NOW?

BEEP!

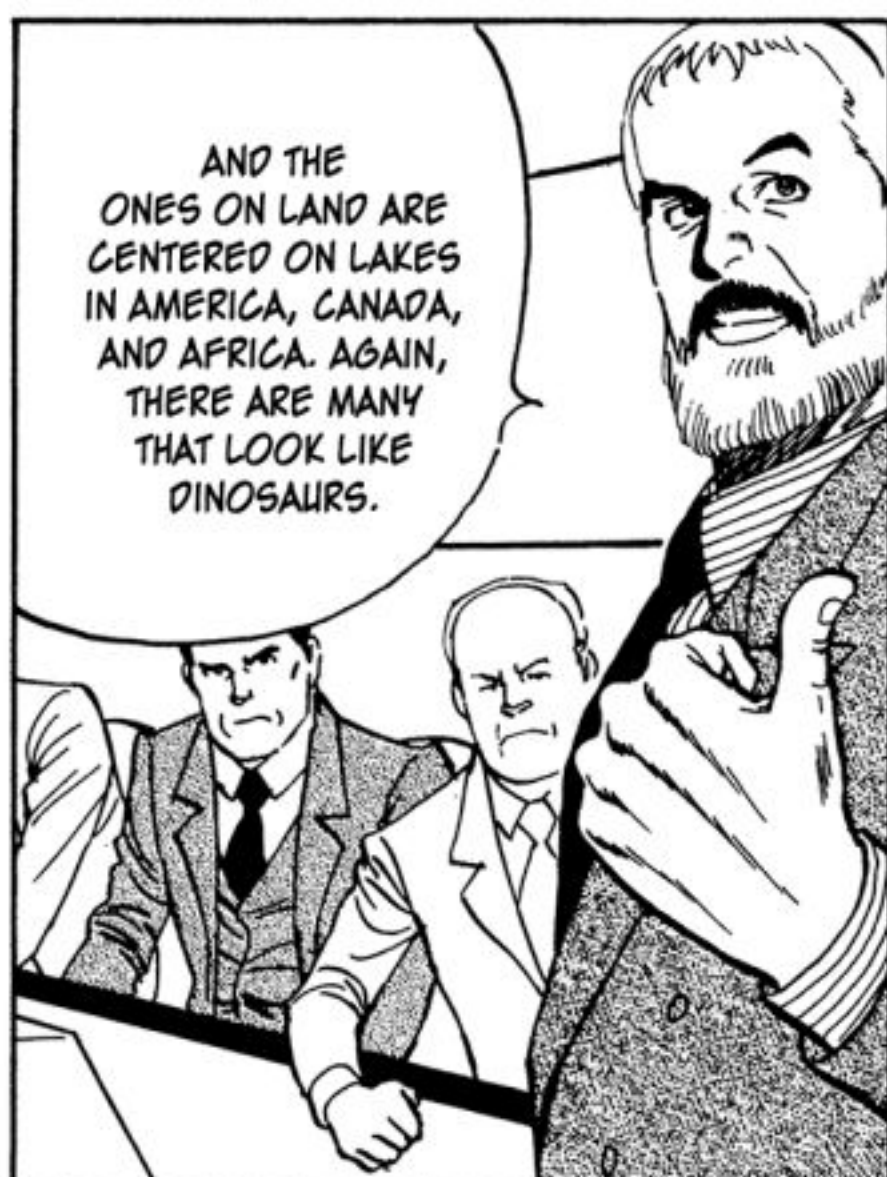


AND THAT'S IN
THE BEST CASE!
PROFESSOR CAMELOT,
DO YOU HAVE ANY
BASIS THAT THESE
BLUE HOLES EXIST?

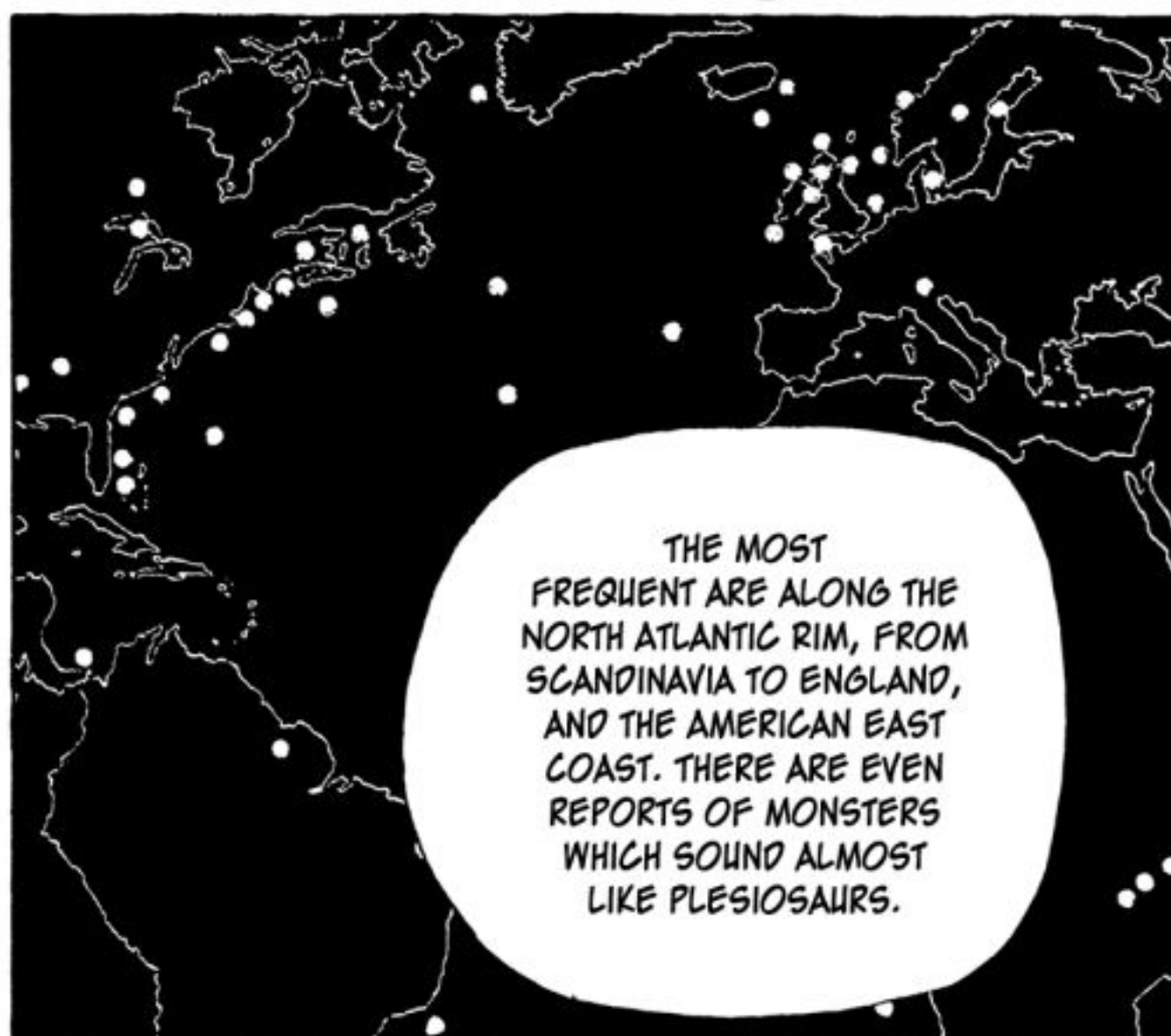




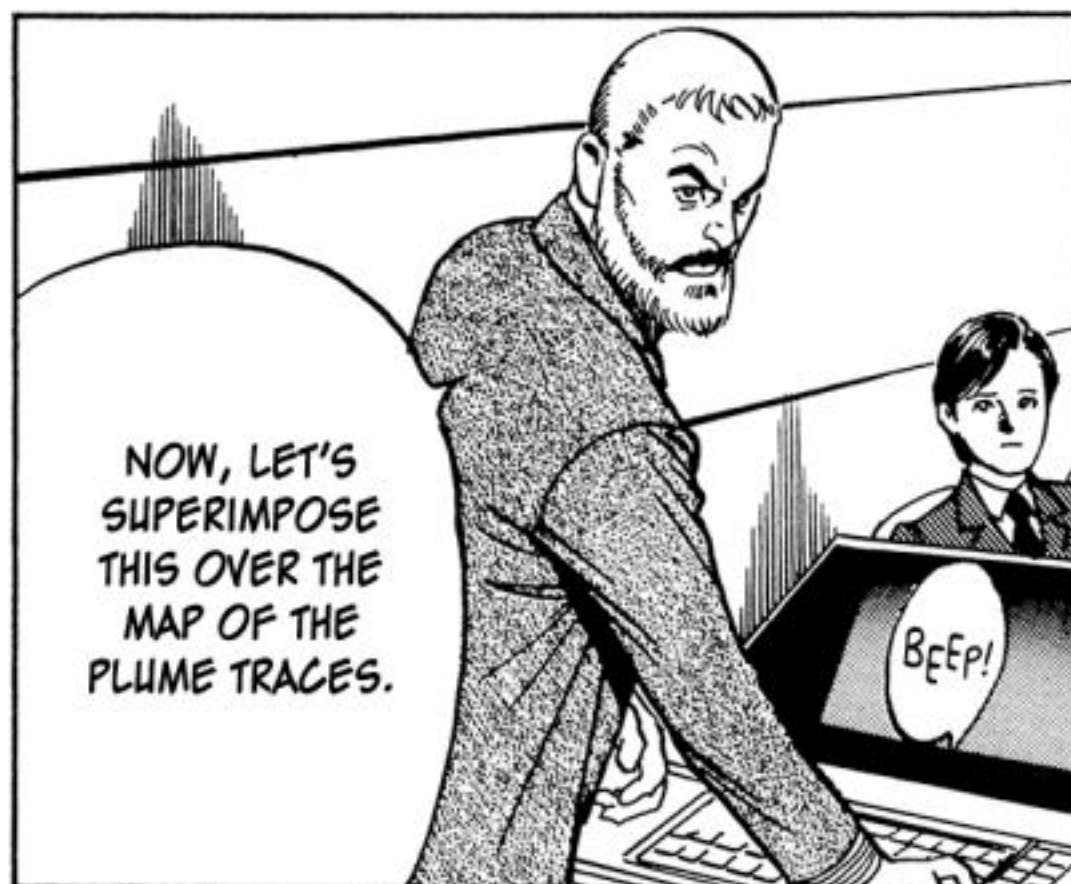
PUT THESE
EYEWITNESS
CASES ON THE
MAP, AND YOU
GET SOMETHING
LIKE THIS.



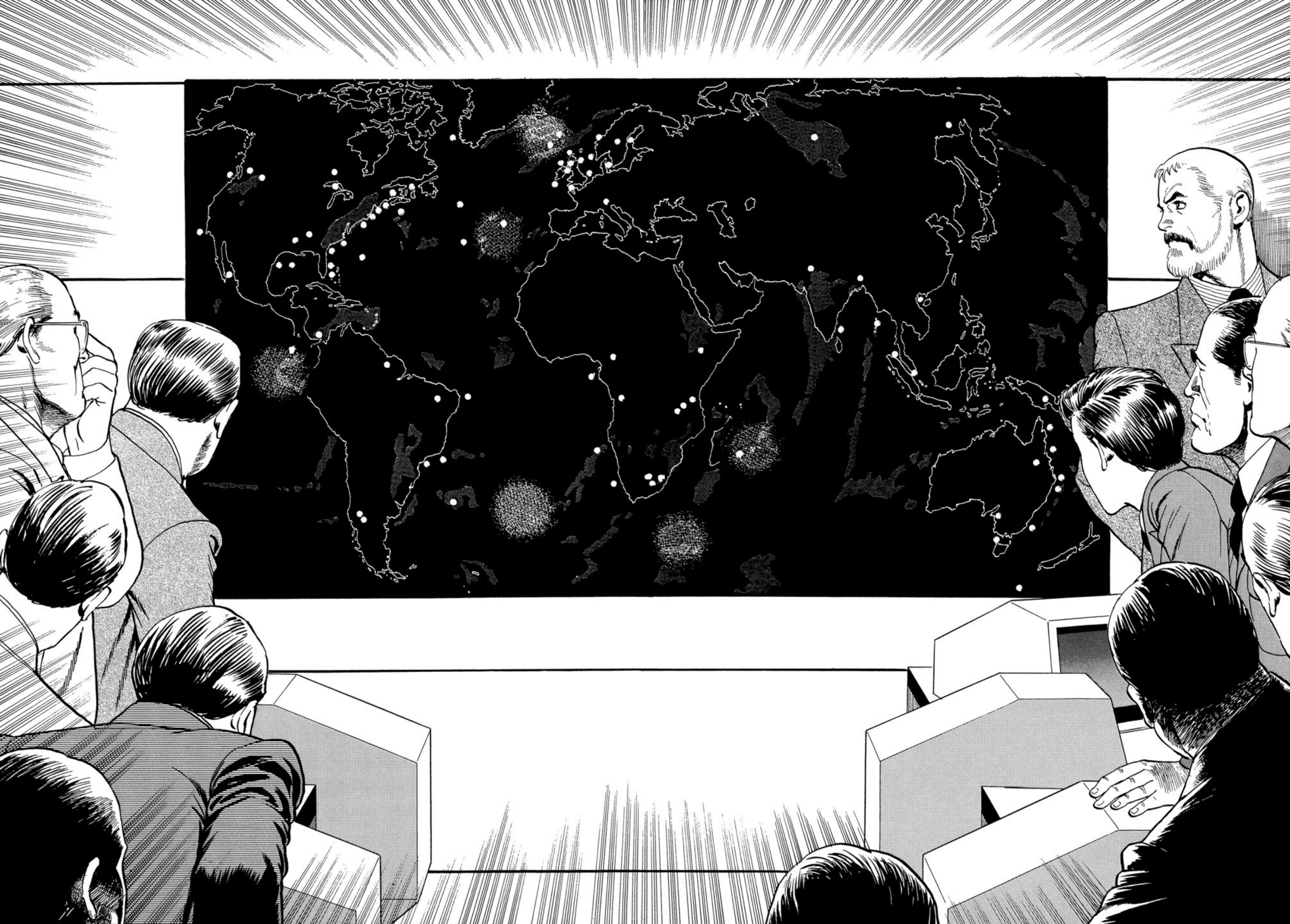
AND THE
ONES ON LAND ARE
CENTERED ON LAKES
IN AMERICA, CANADA,
AND AFRICA. AGAIN,
THERE ARE MANY
THAT LOOK LIKE
DINOSAURS.

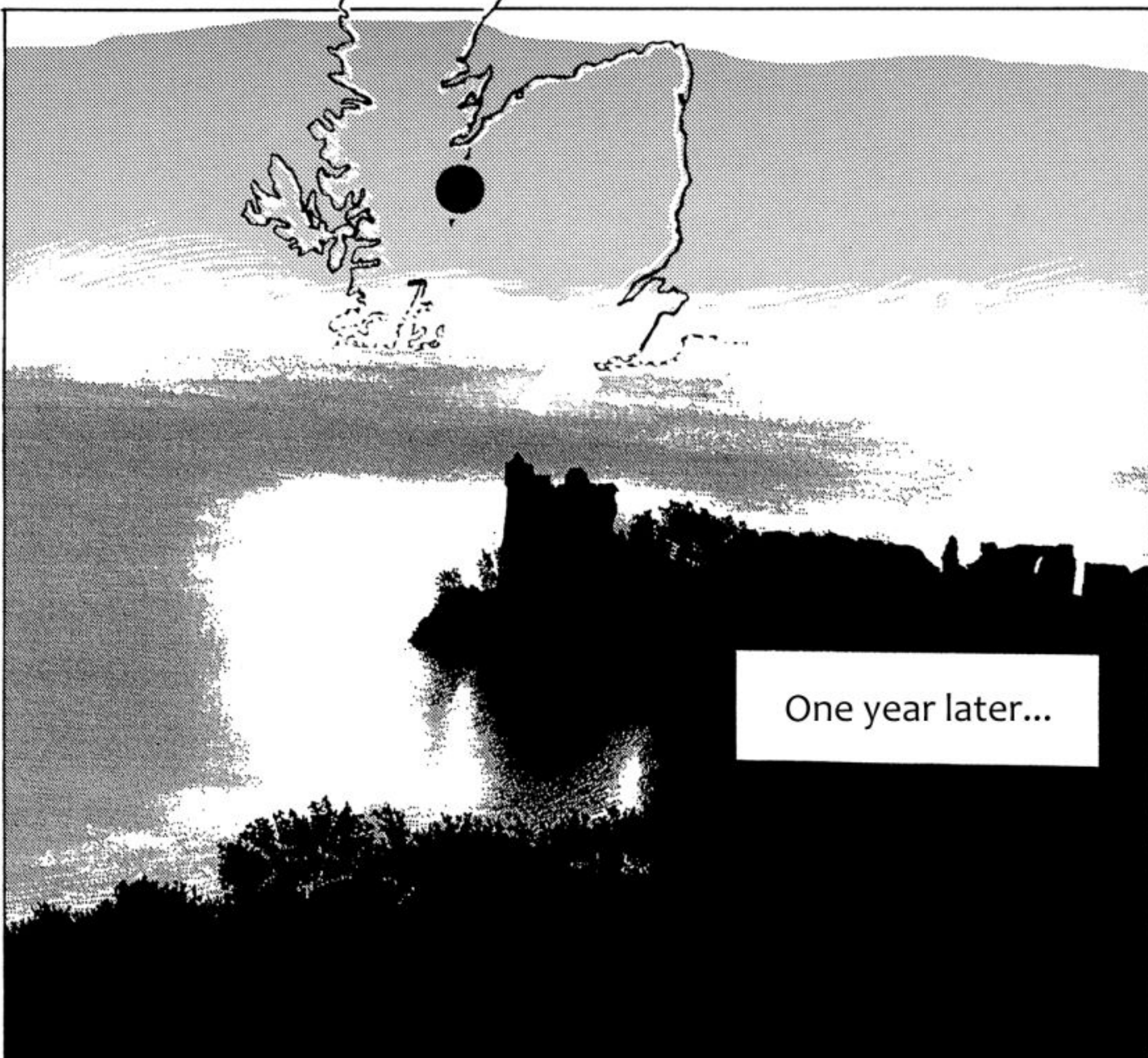
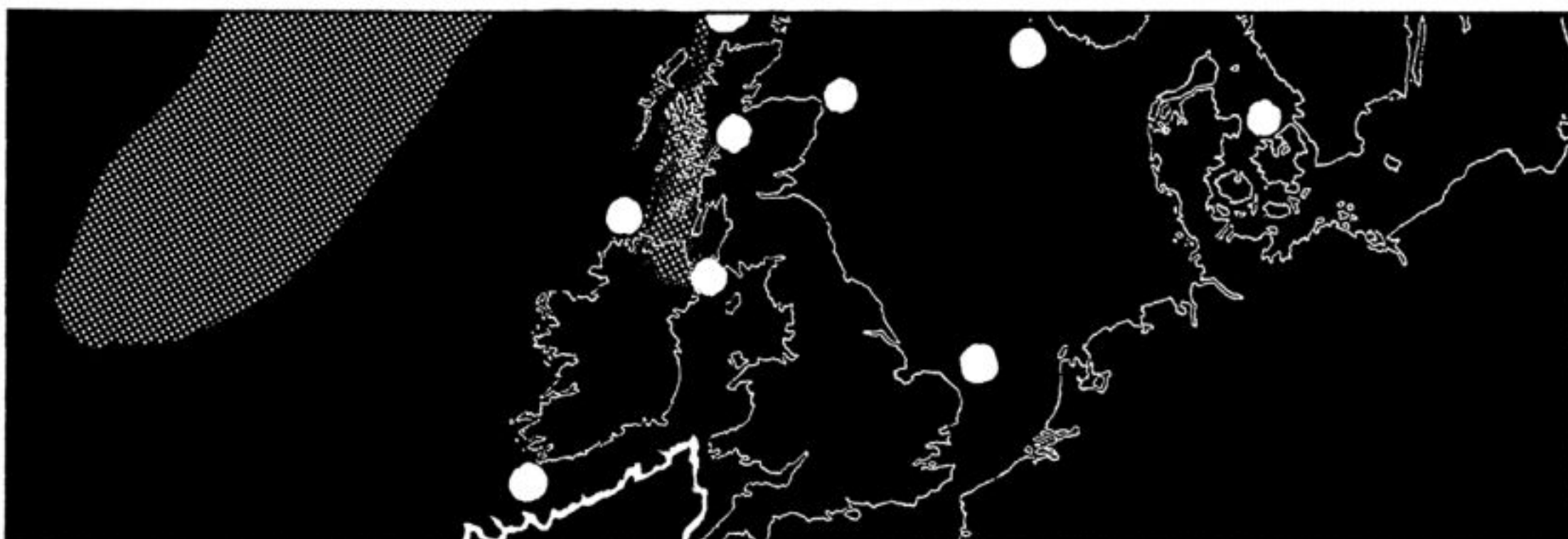


THE MOST
FREQUENT ARE ALONG THE
NORTH ATLANTIC RIM, FROM
SCANDINAVIA TO ENGLAND,
AND THE AMERICAN EAST
COAST. THERE ARE EVEN
REPORTS OF MONSTERS
WHICH SOUND ALMOST
LIKE PLESIOSAURS.

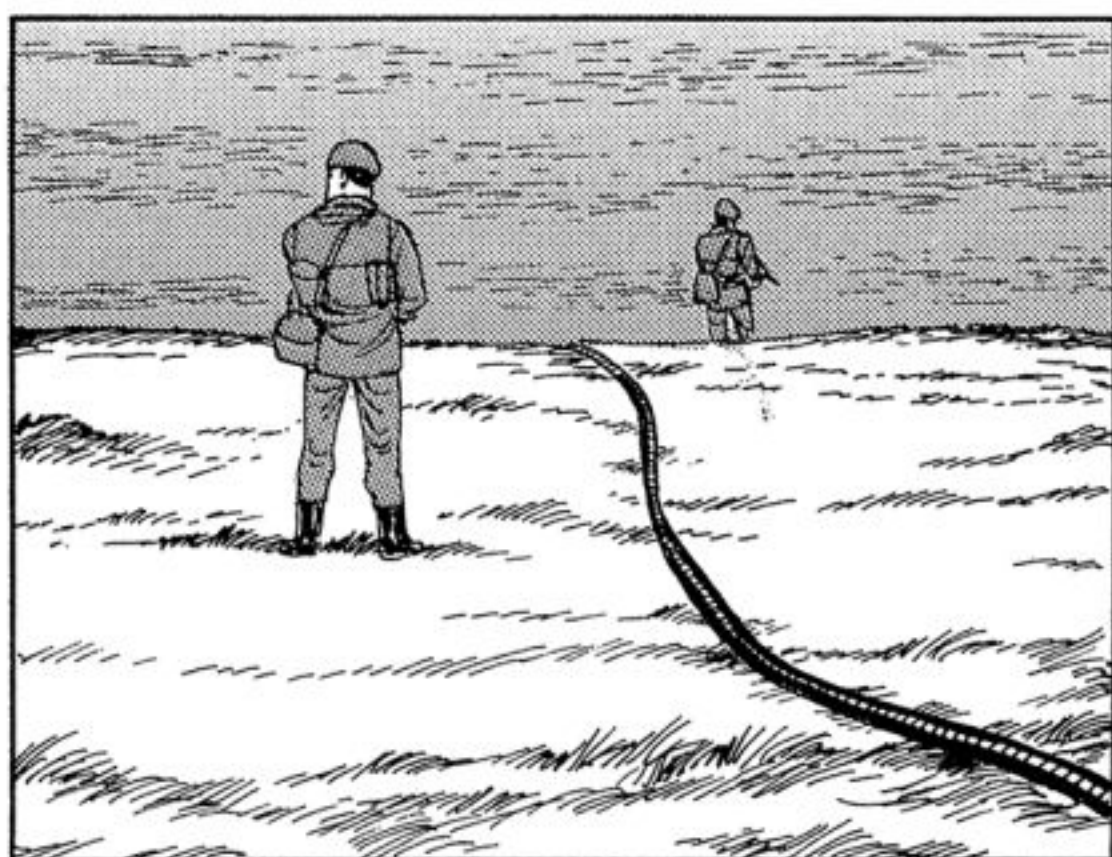
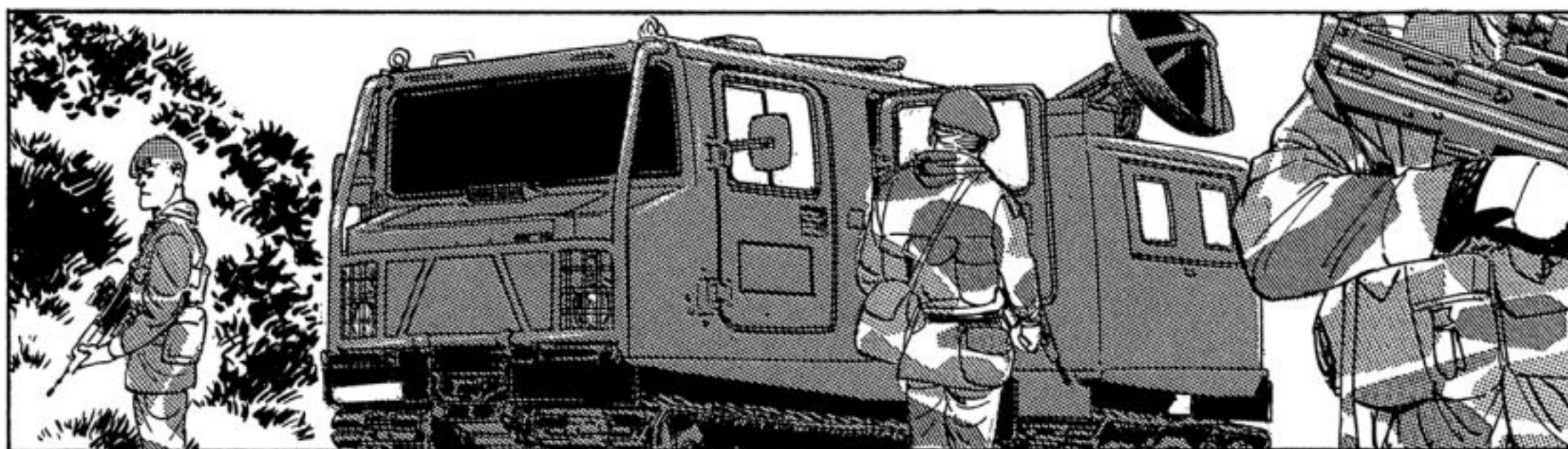
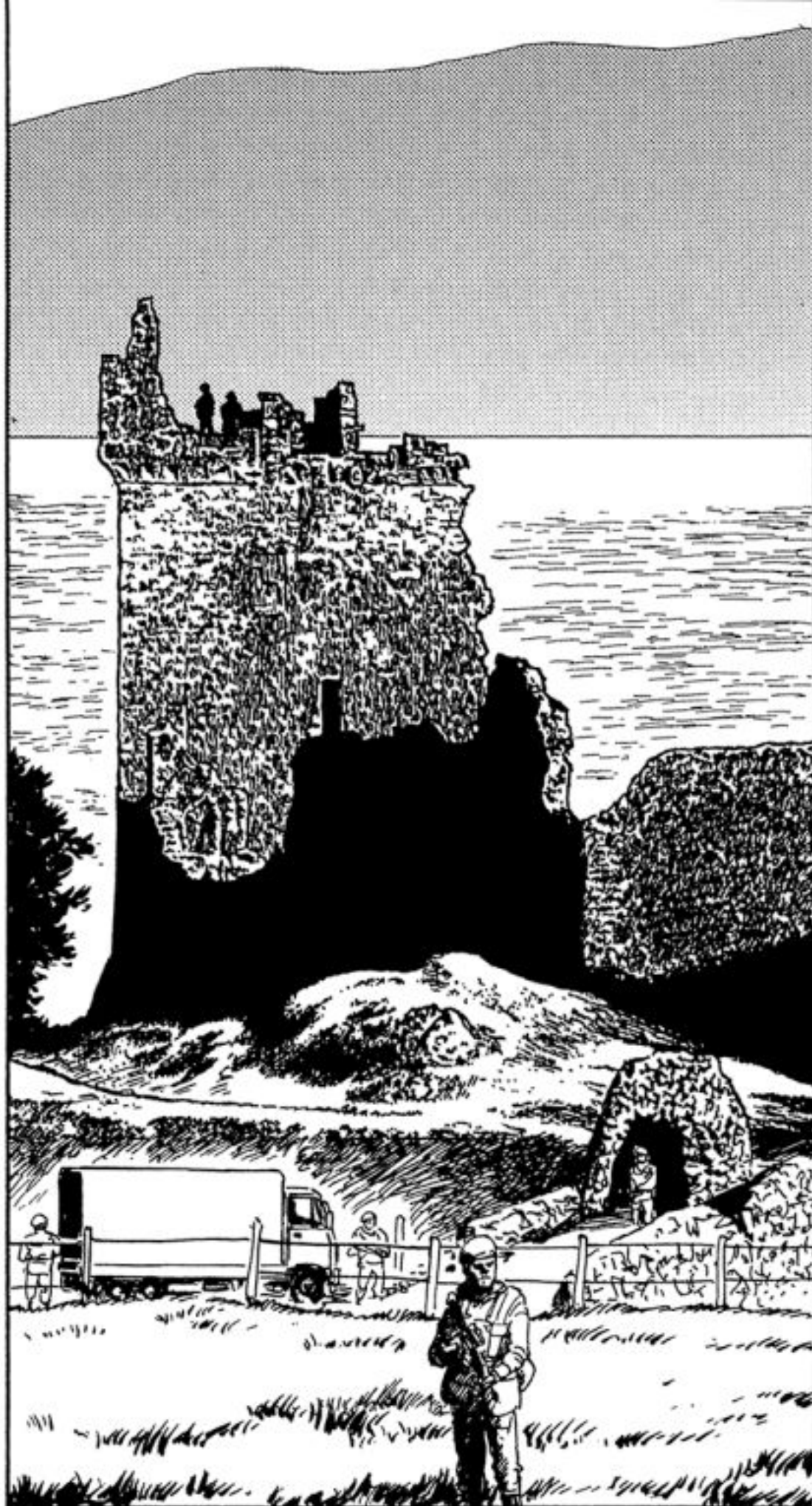


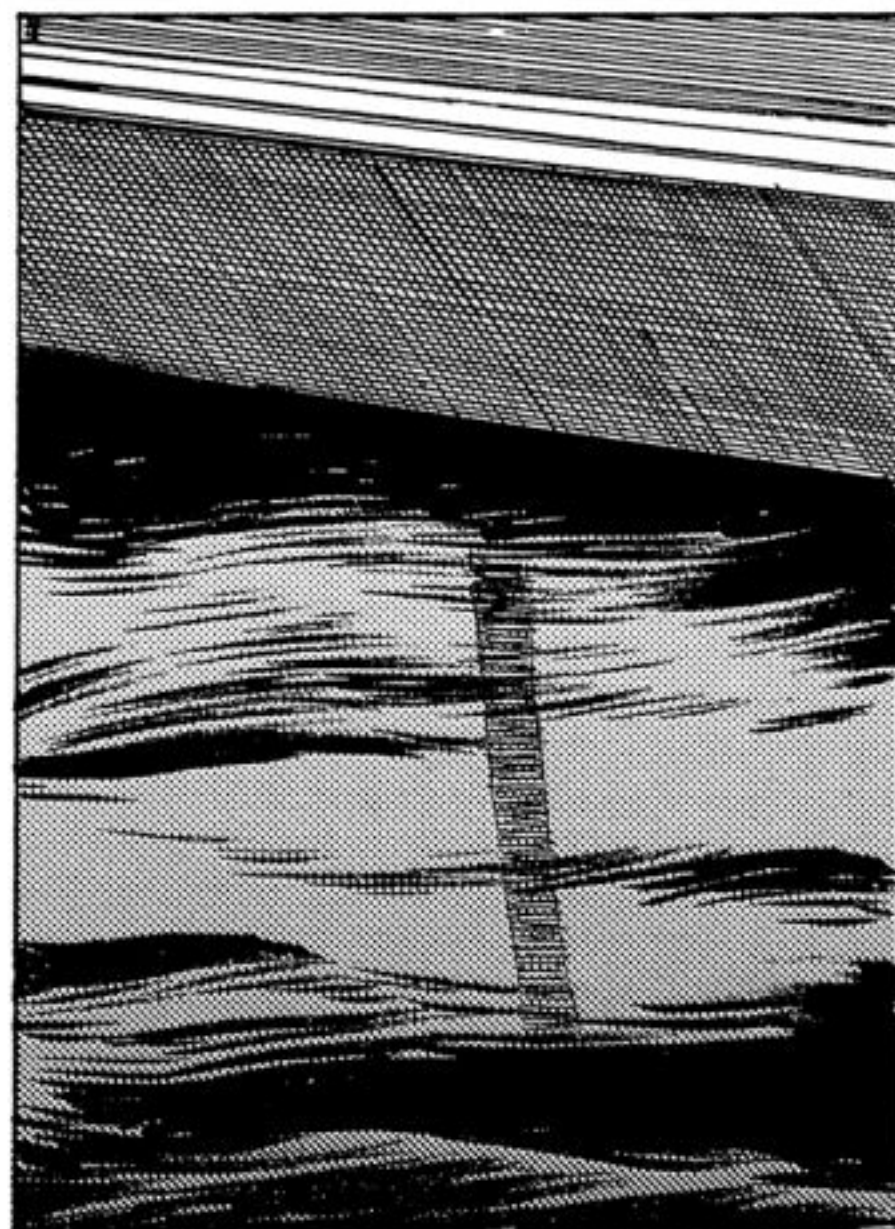
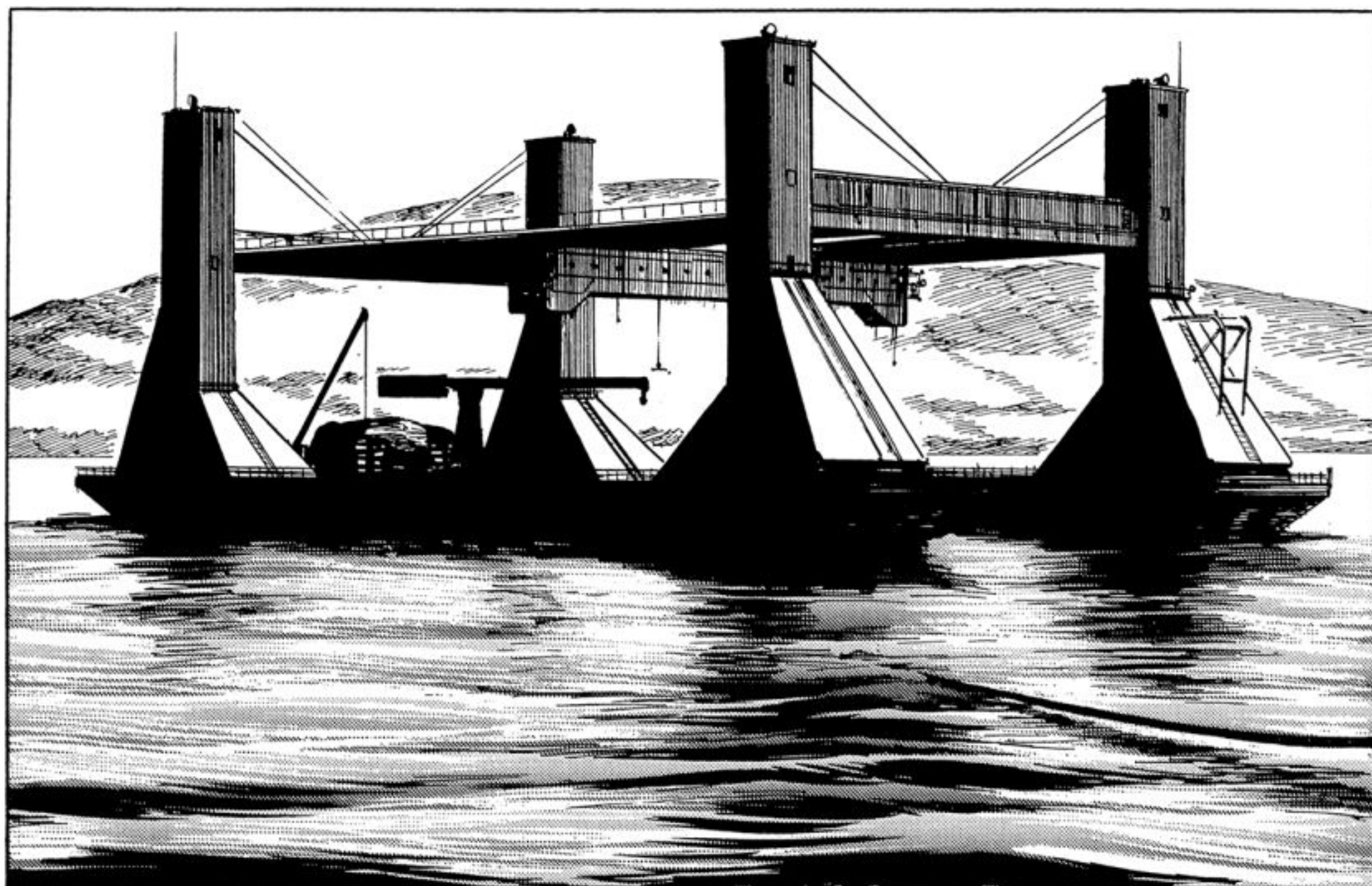
NOW, LET'S
SUPERIMPOSE
THIS OVER THE
MAP OF THE
PLUME TRACES.





One year later...



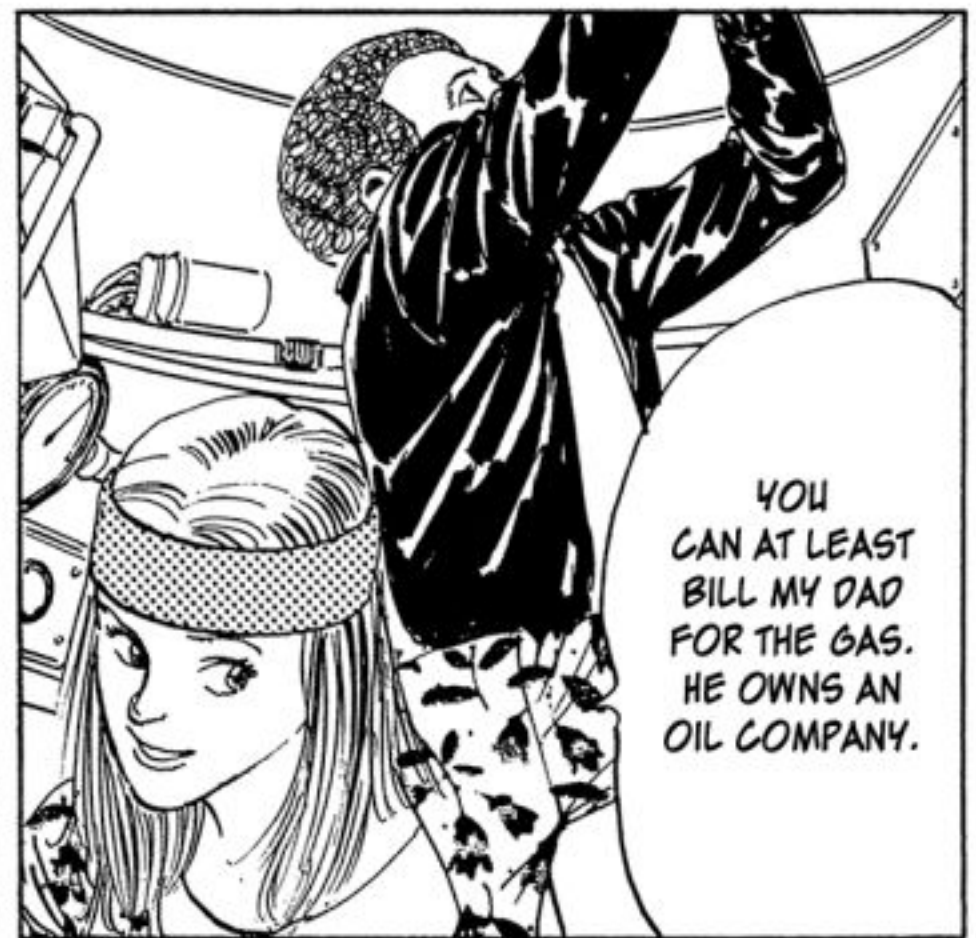
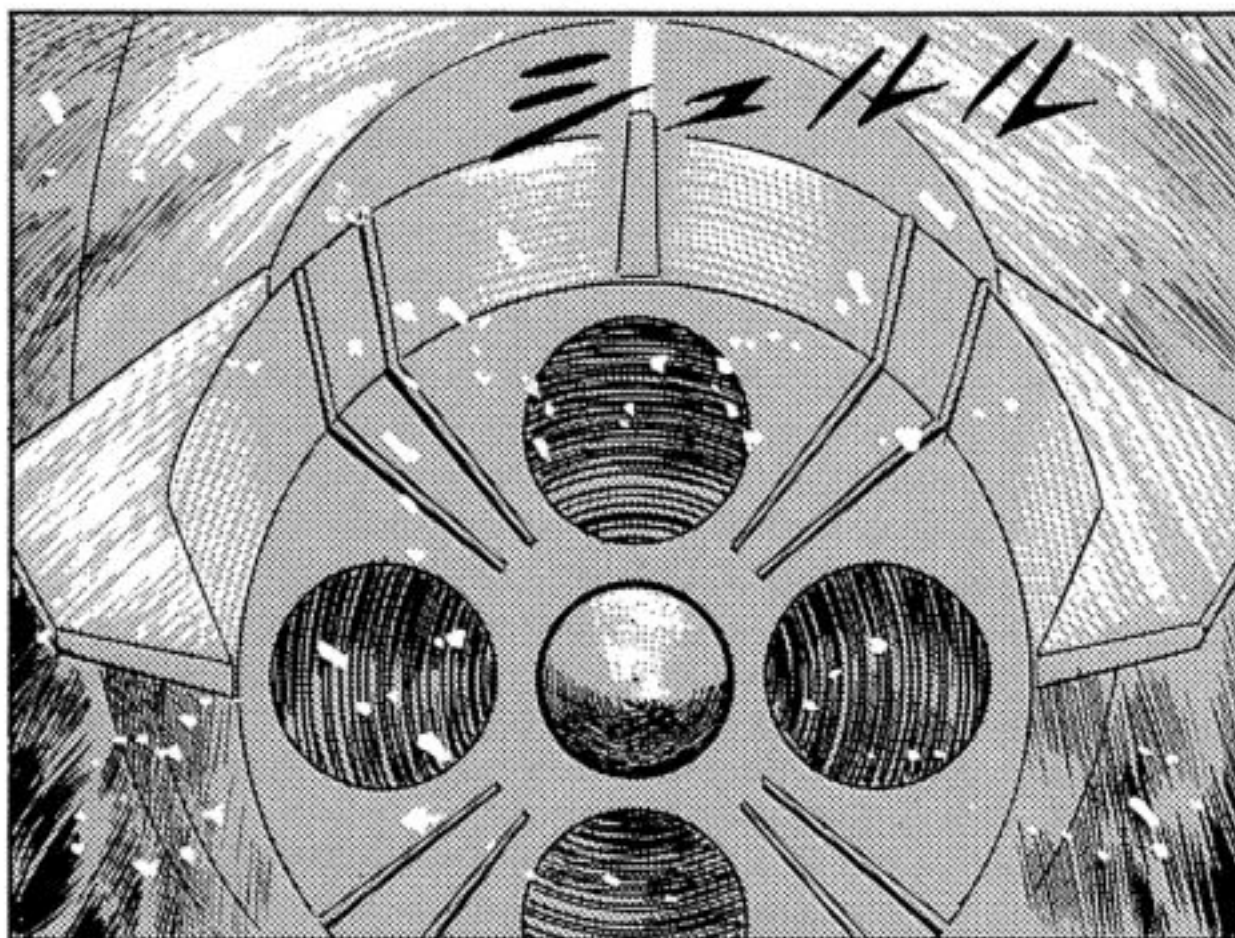
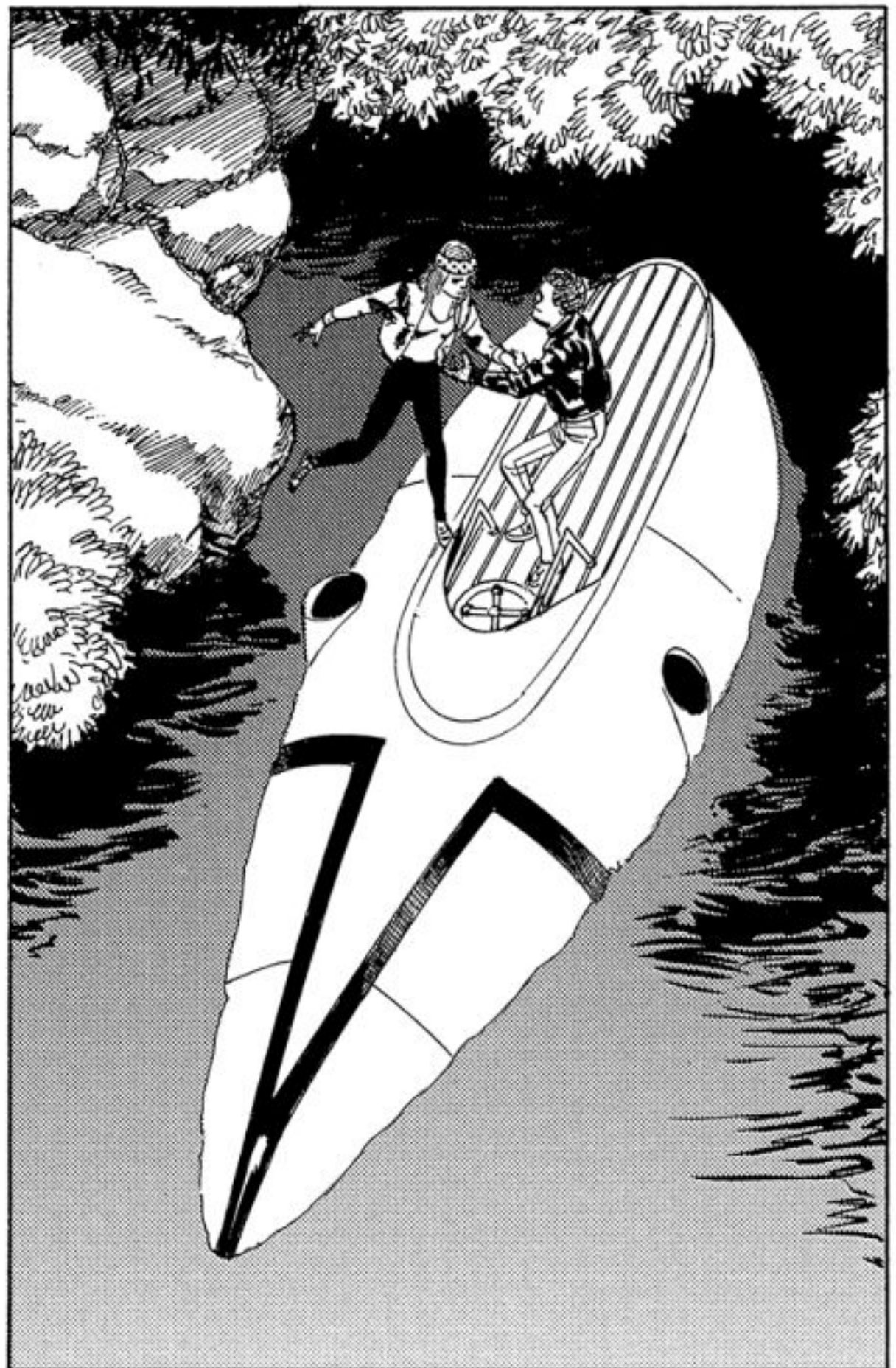




TAKE US
DOWN, PETER!
AS DEEP AND
QUIET AS YOU
CAN...

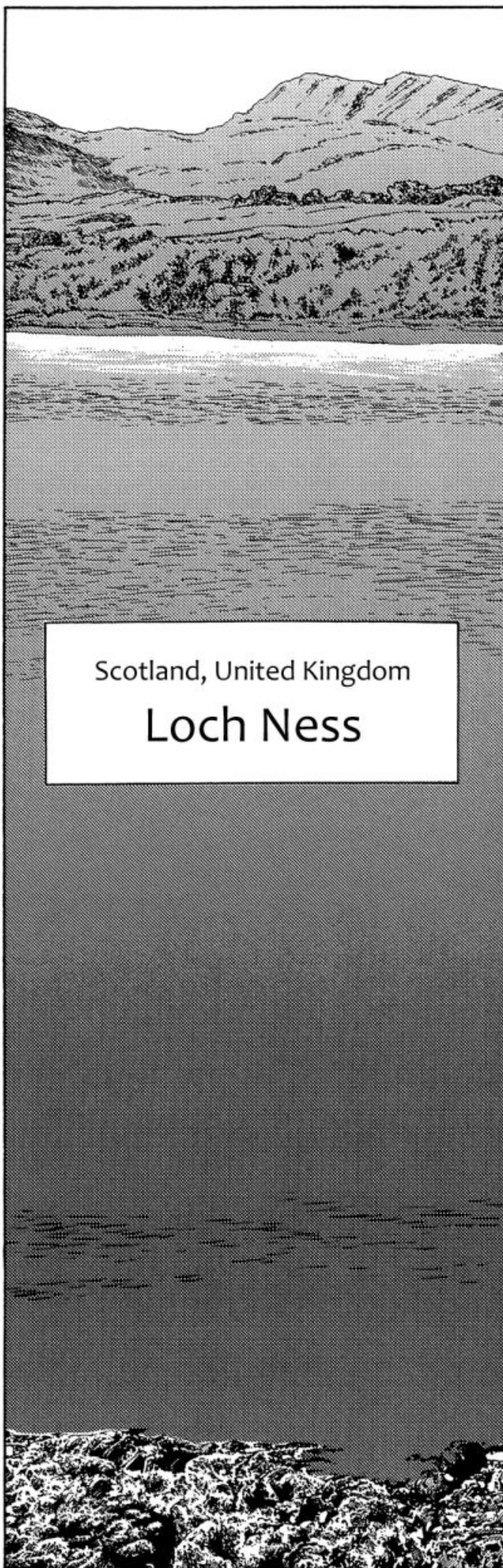


I'M CHARGING
EXTRA FOR THIS. IT
WAS ENOUGH OF A
BITCH GETTING HERE,
AND IT DOESN'T LOOK
LIKE THINGS ARE
GONNA GET ANY
EASIER...

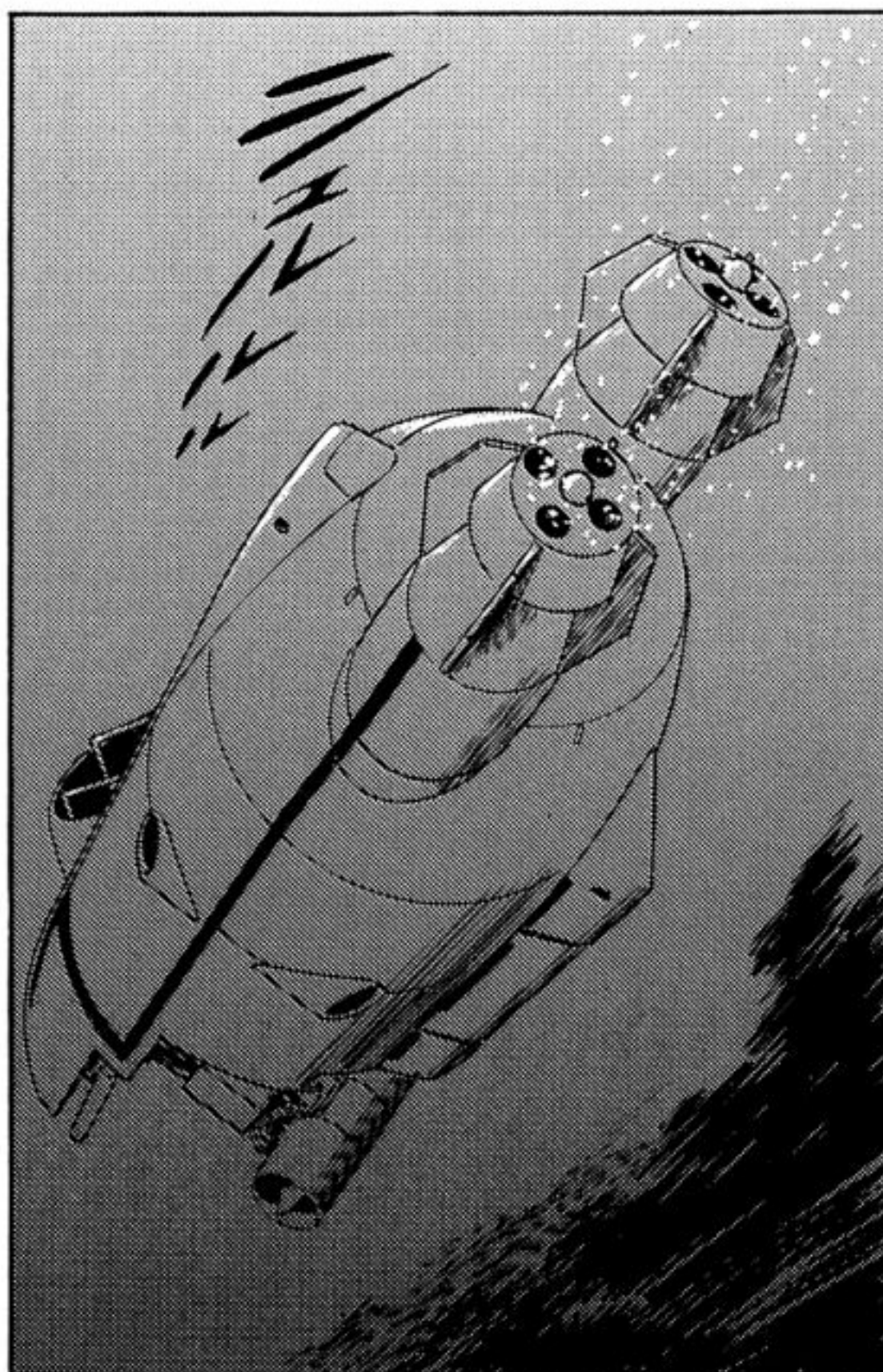


YOU
CAN AT LEAST
BILL MY DAD
FOR THE GAS.
HE OWNS AN
OIL COMPANY.



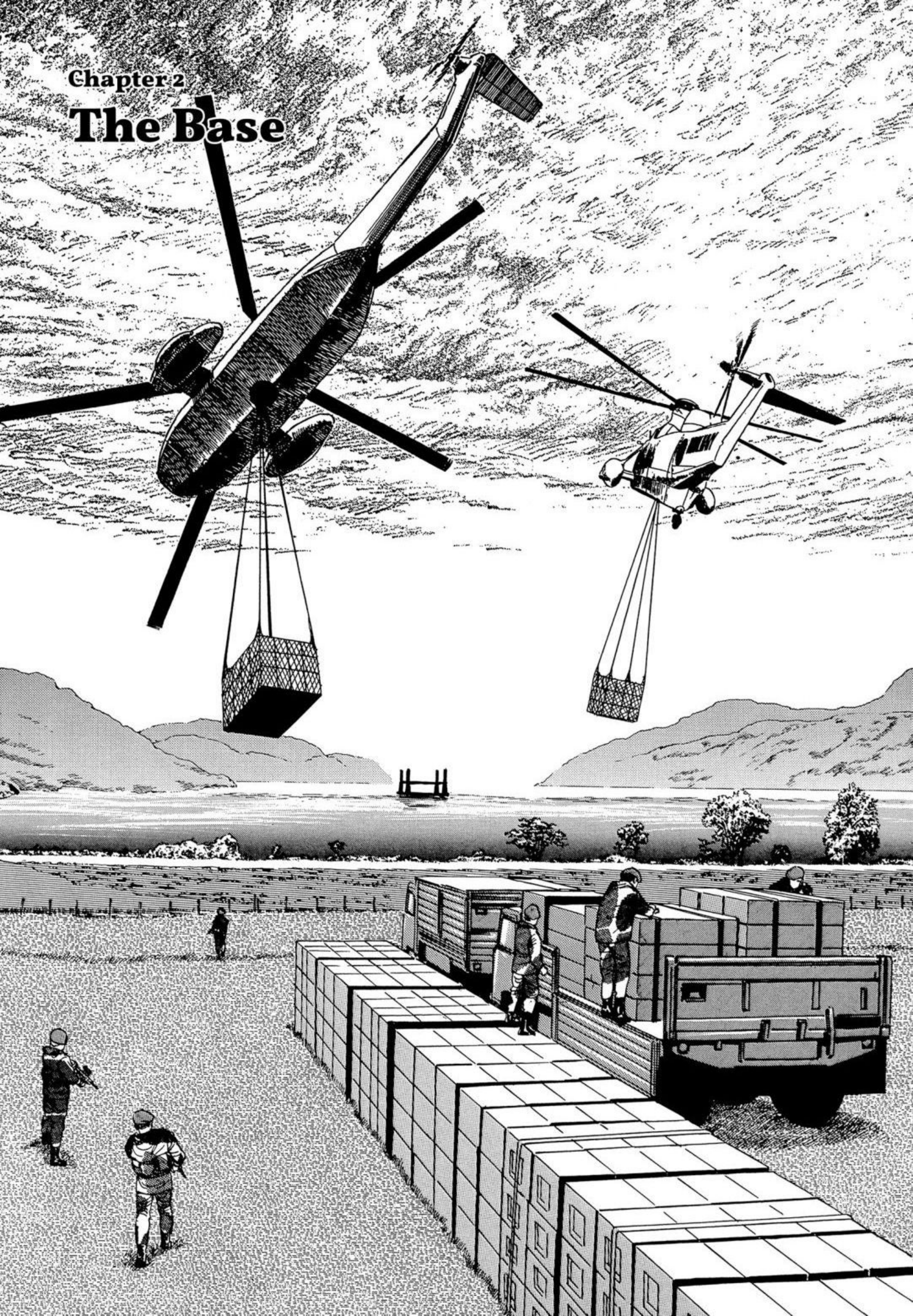


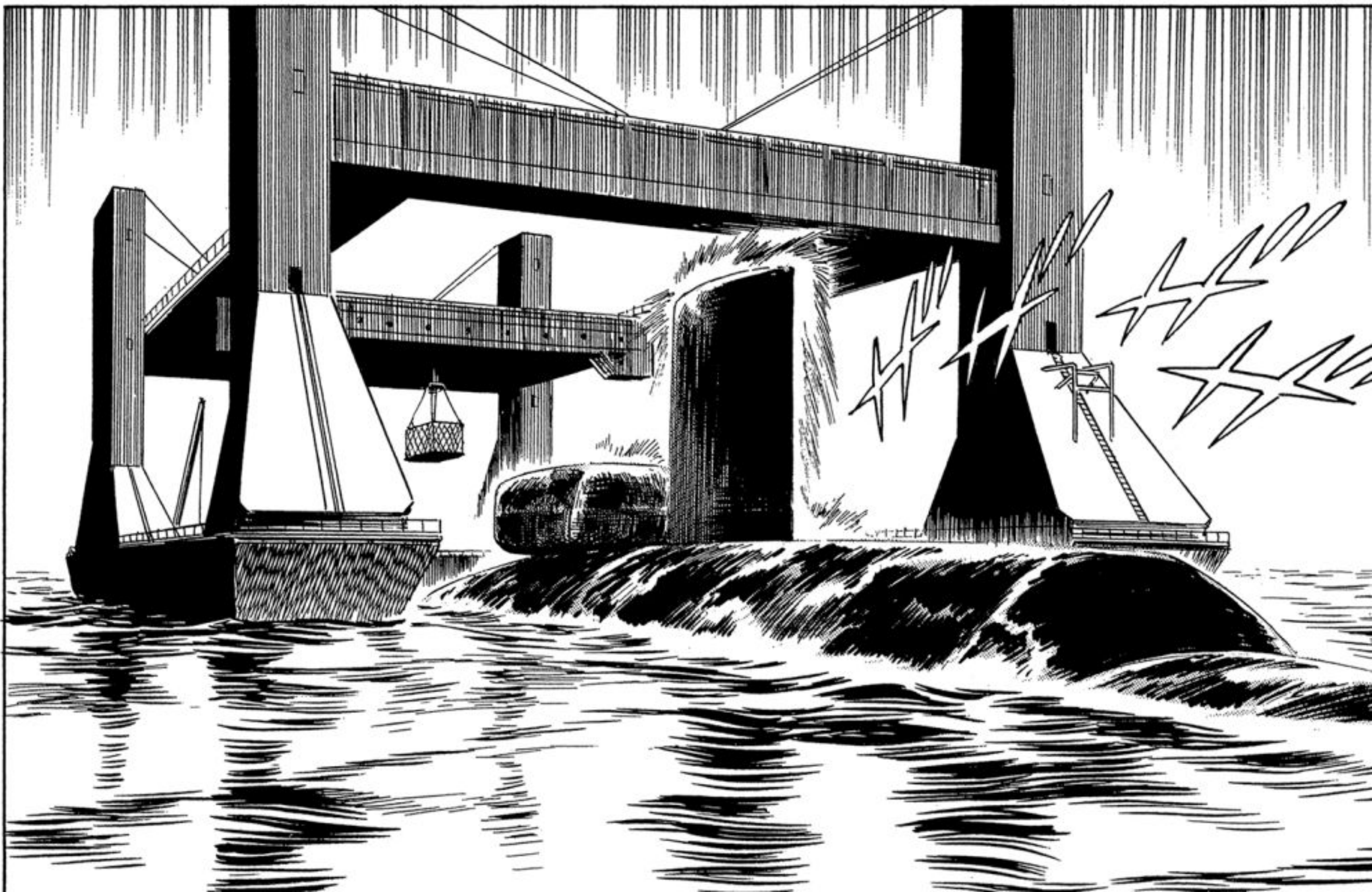
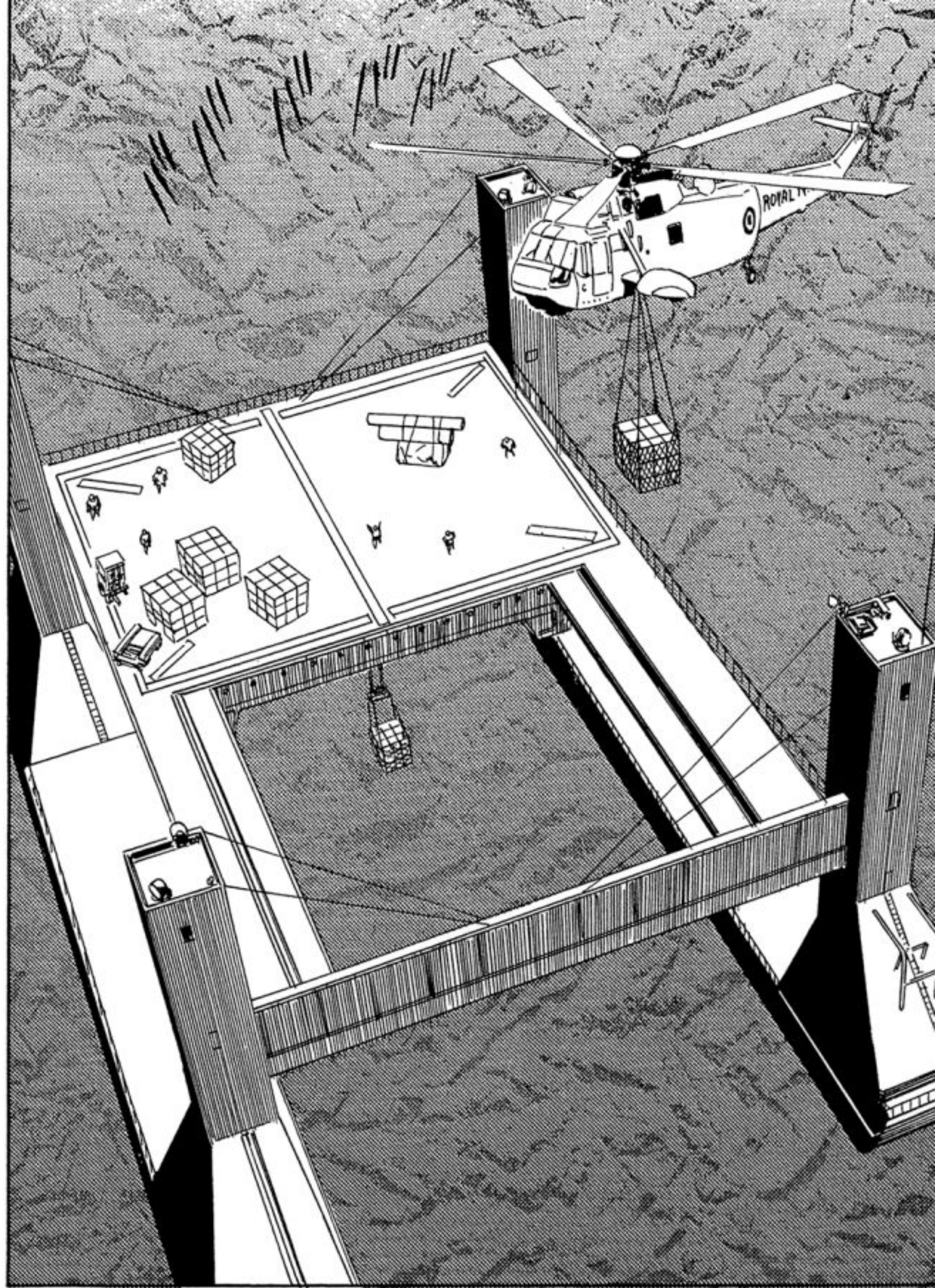
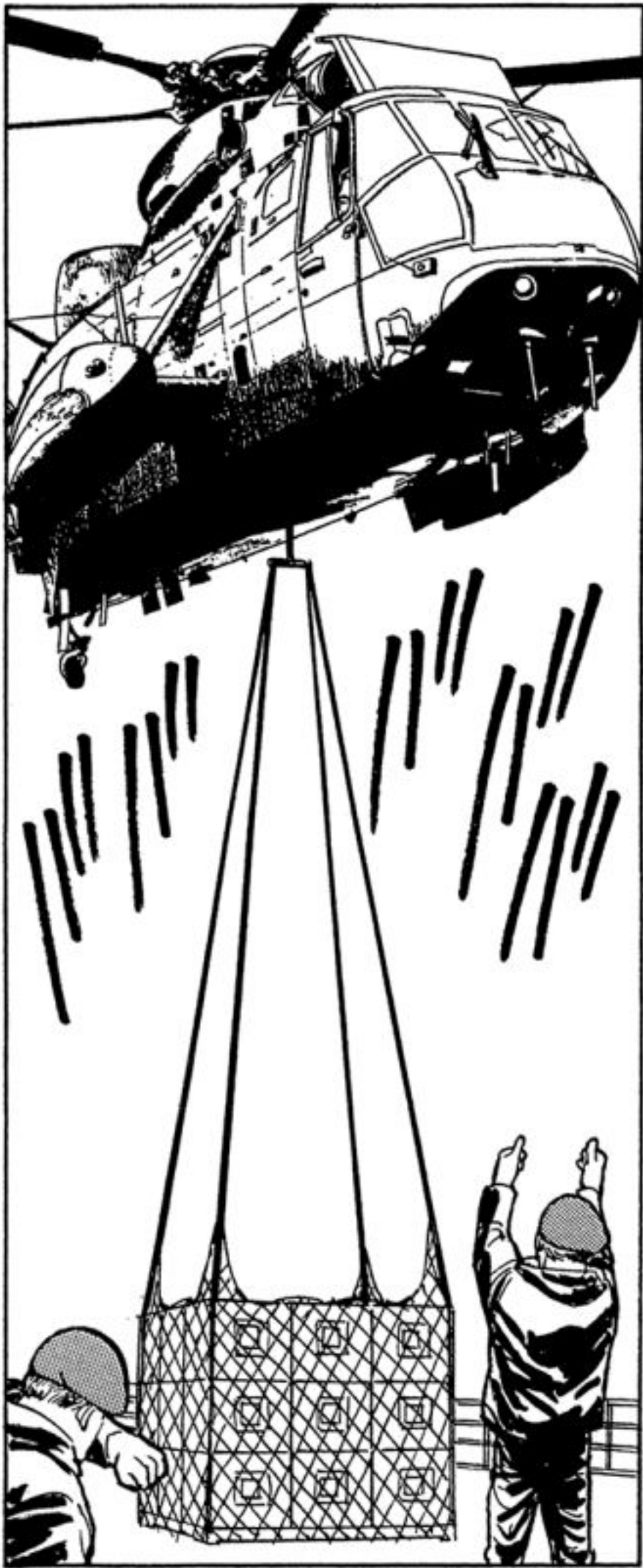
Scotland, United Kingdom
Loch Ness

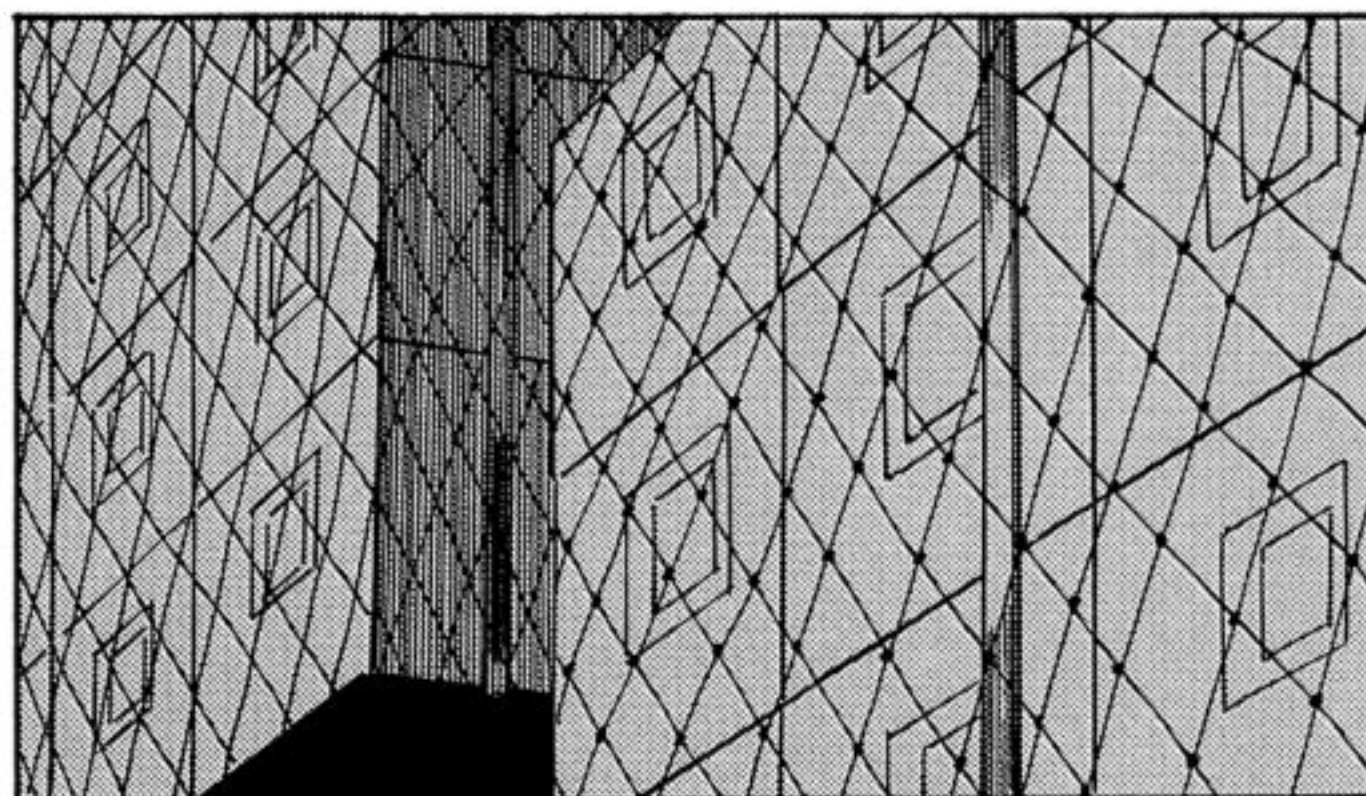
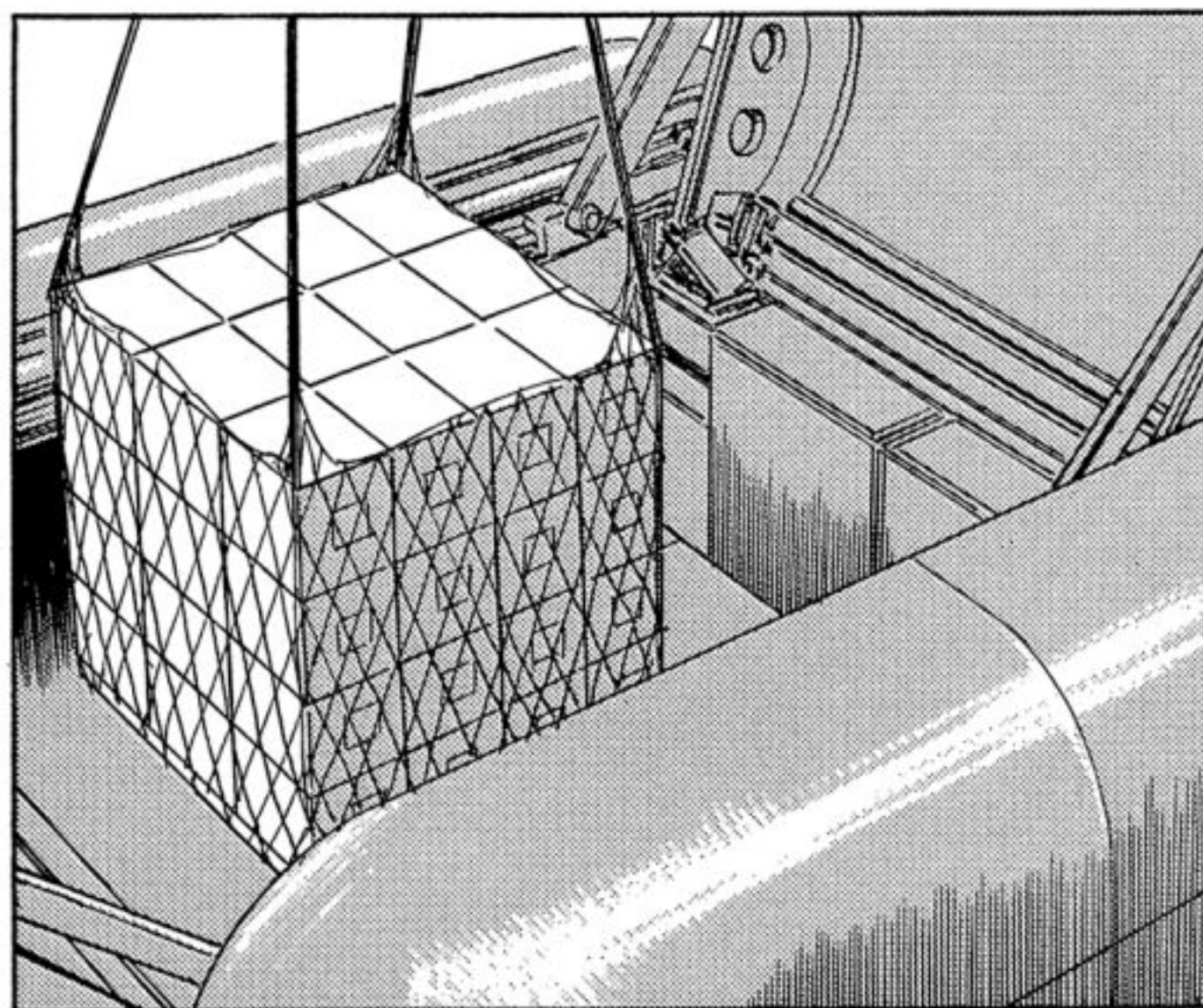
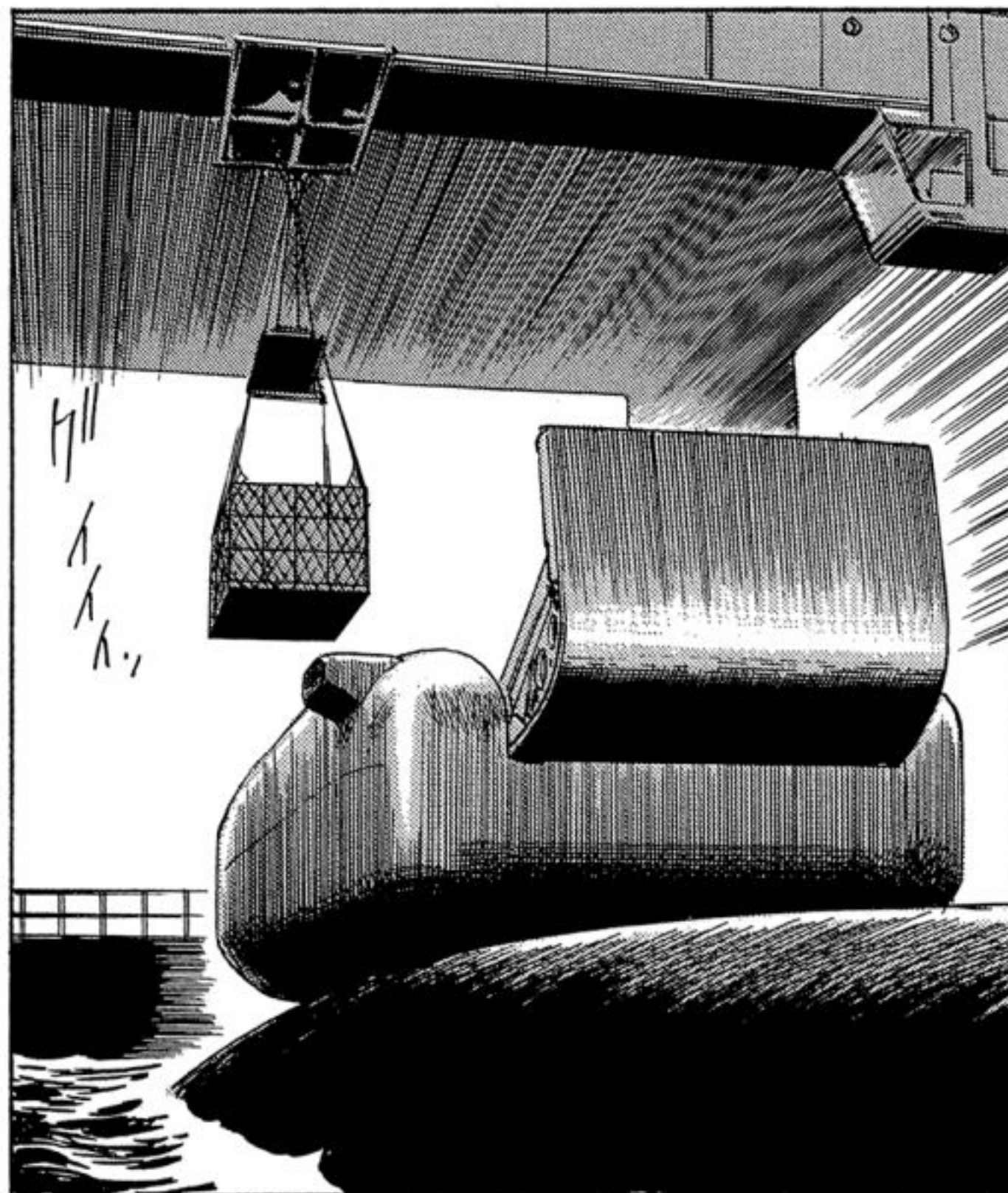
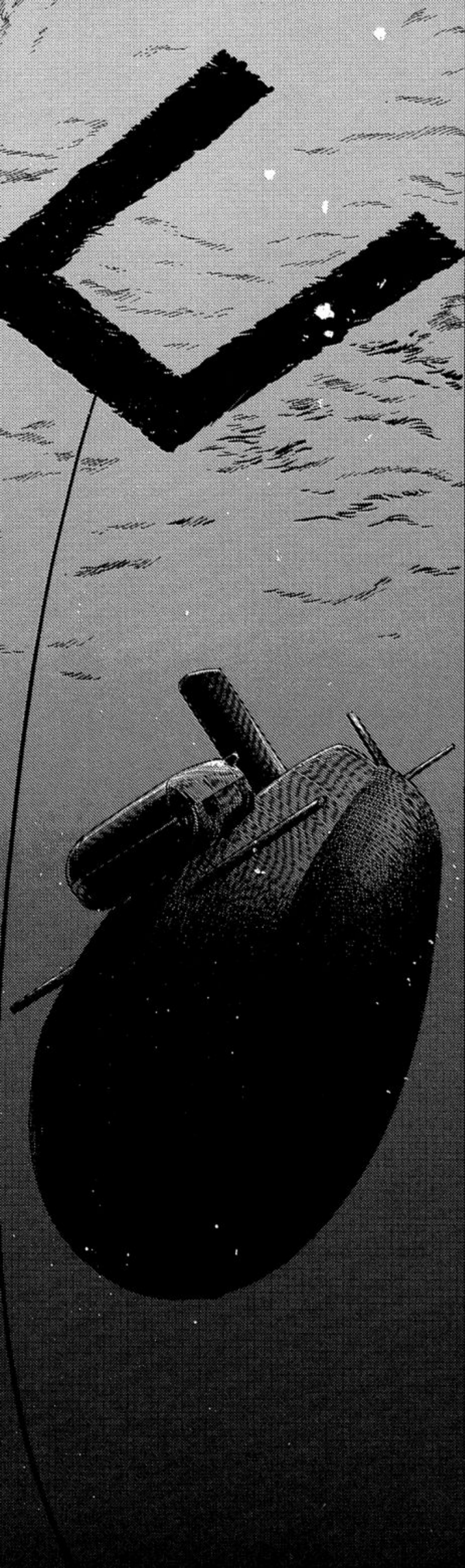


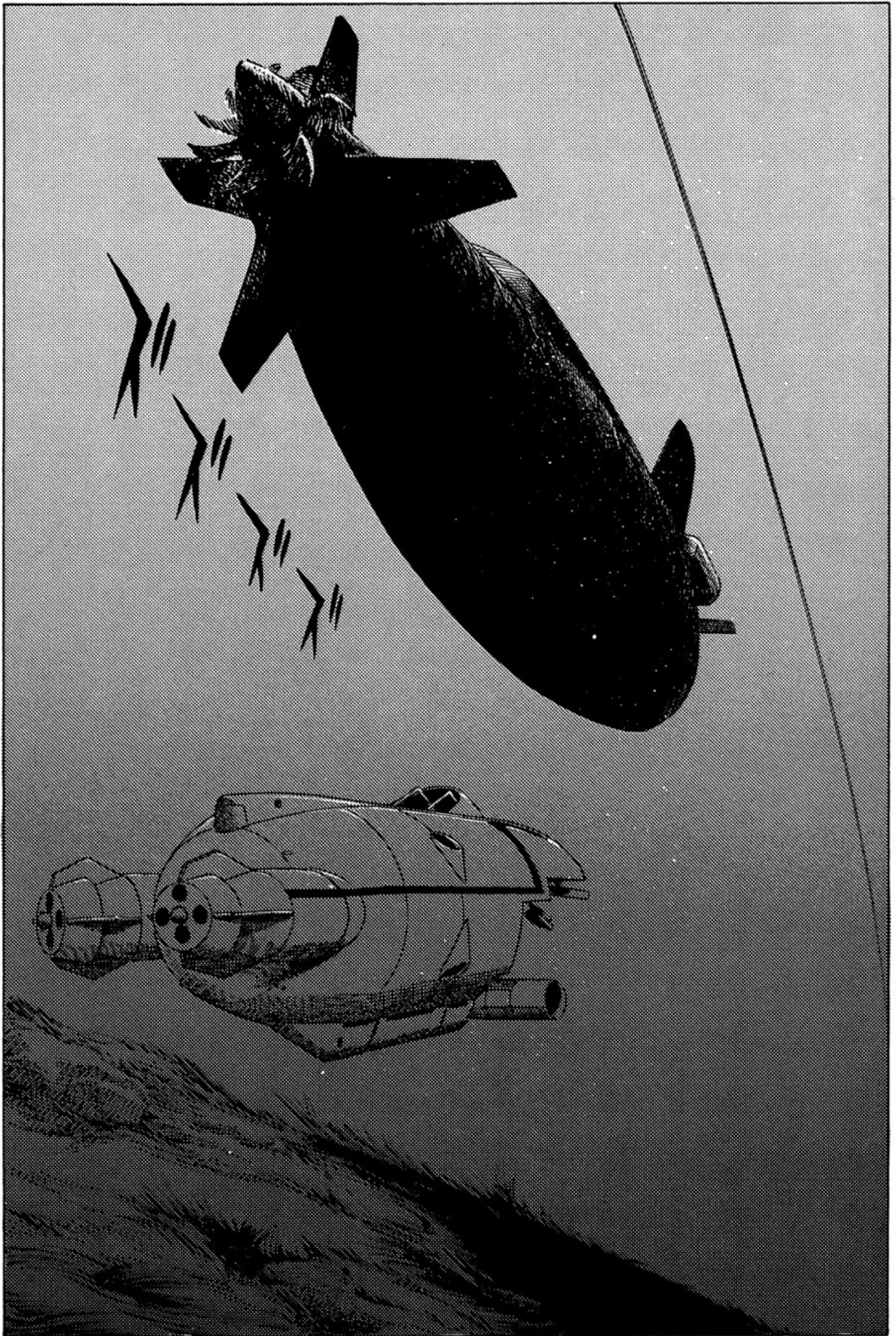
Chapter 2

The Base









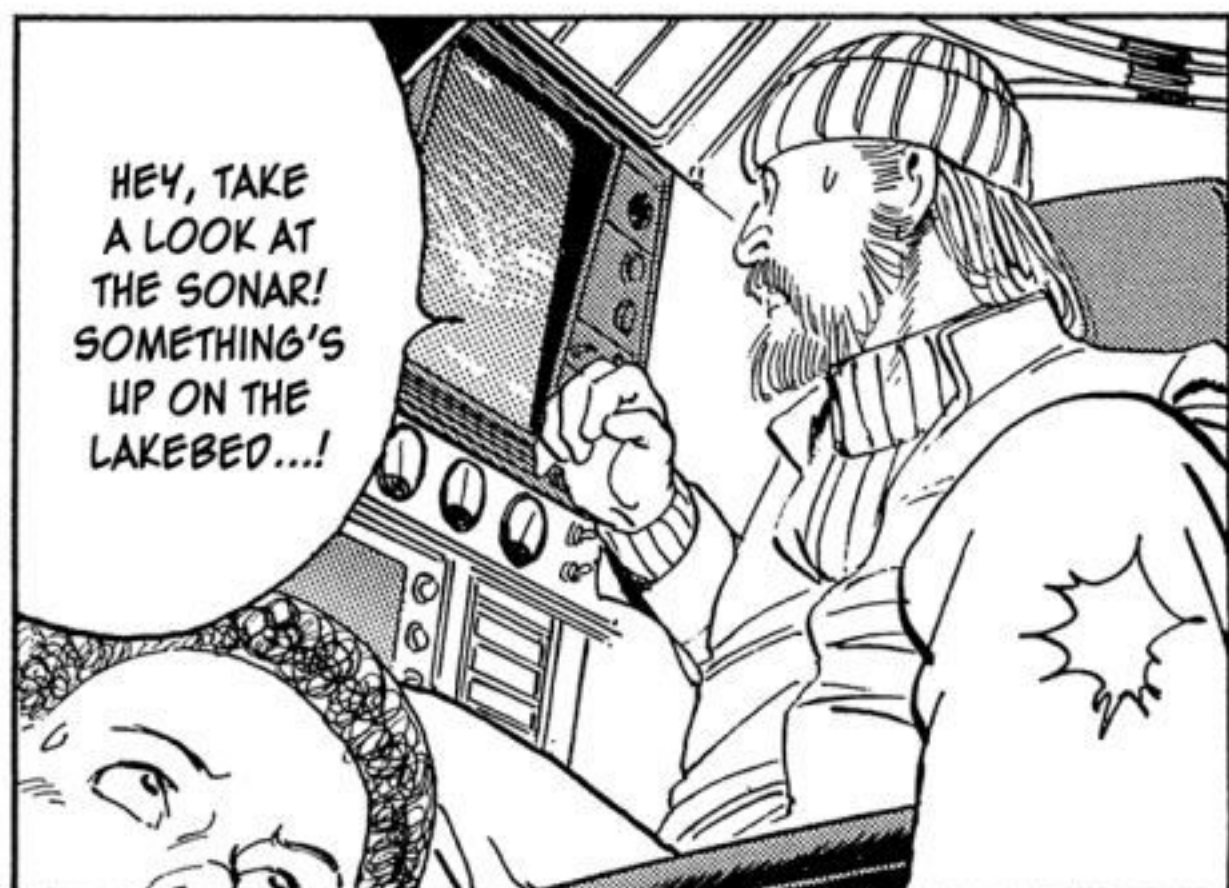


LOOKS LIKE THIS THICK CABLE GOES ALL THE WAY DOWN TO THE LAKEBED. WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO FOLLOW IT DOWN.



THAT'S A NAVY NUKE SUB! IF IT SEES US, WE'LL BE TORPEDOED TO HELL!

DRIVER! FOLLOW THAT CAR!

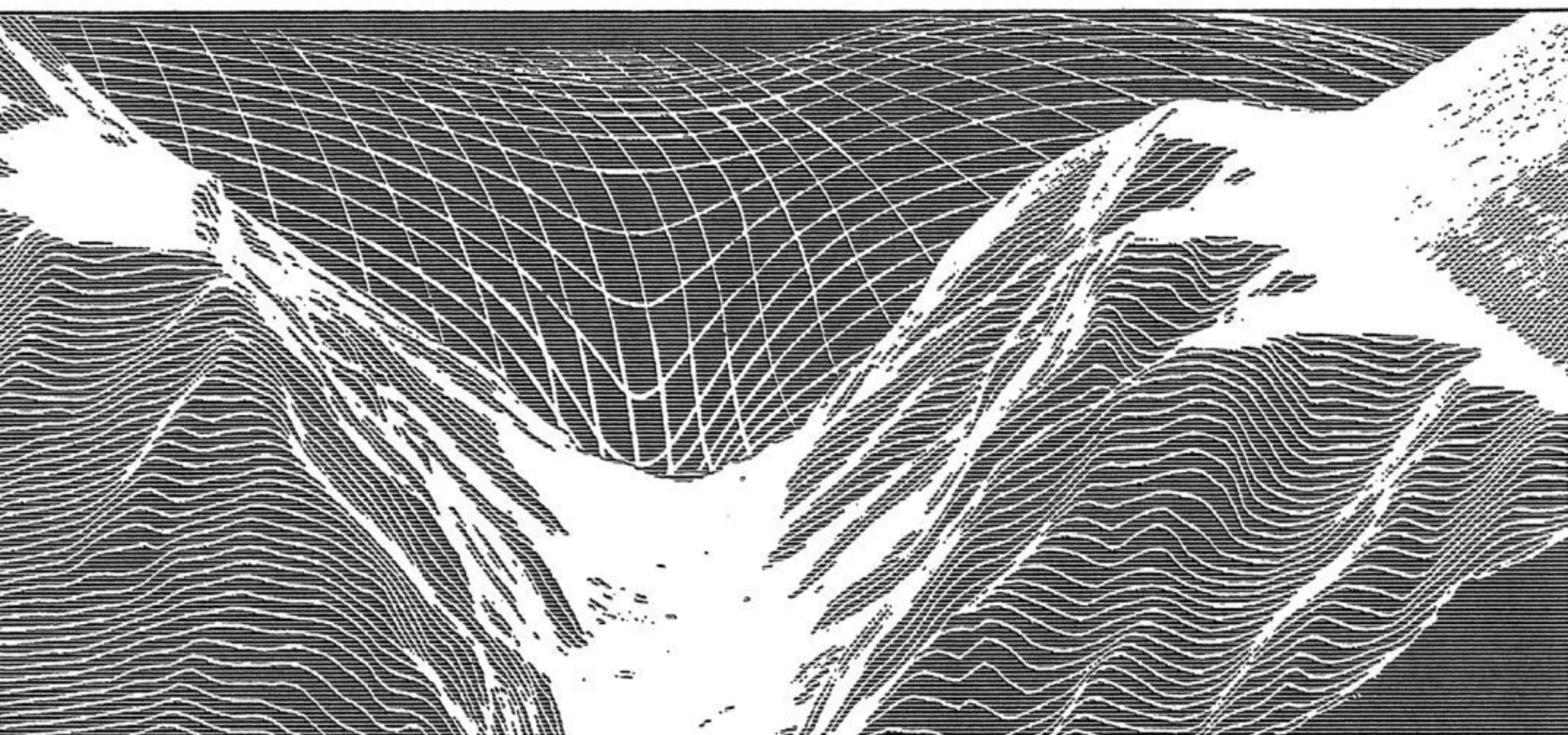


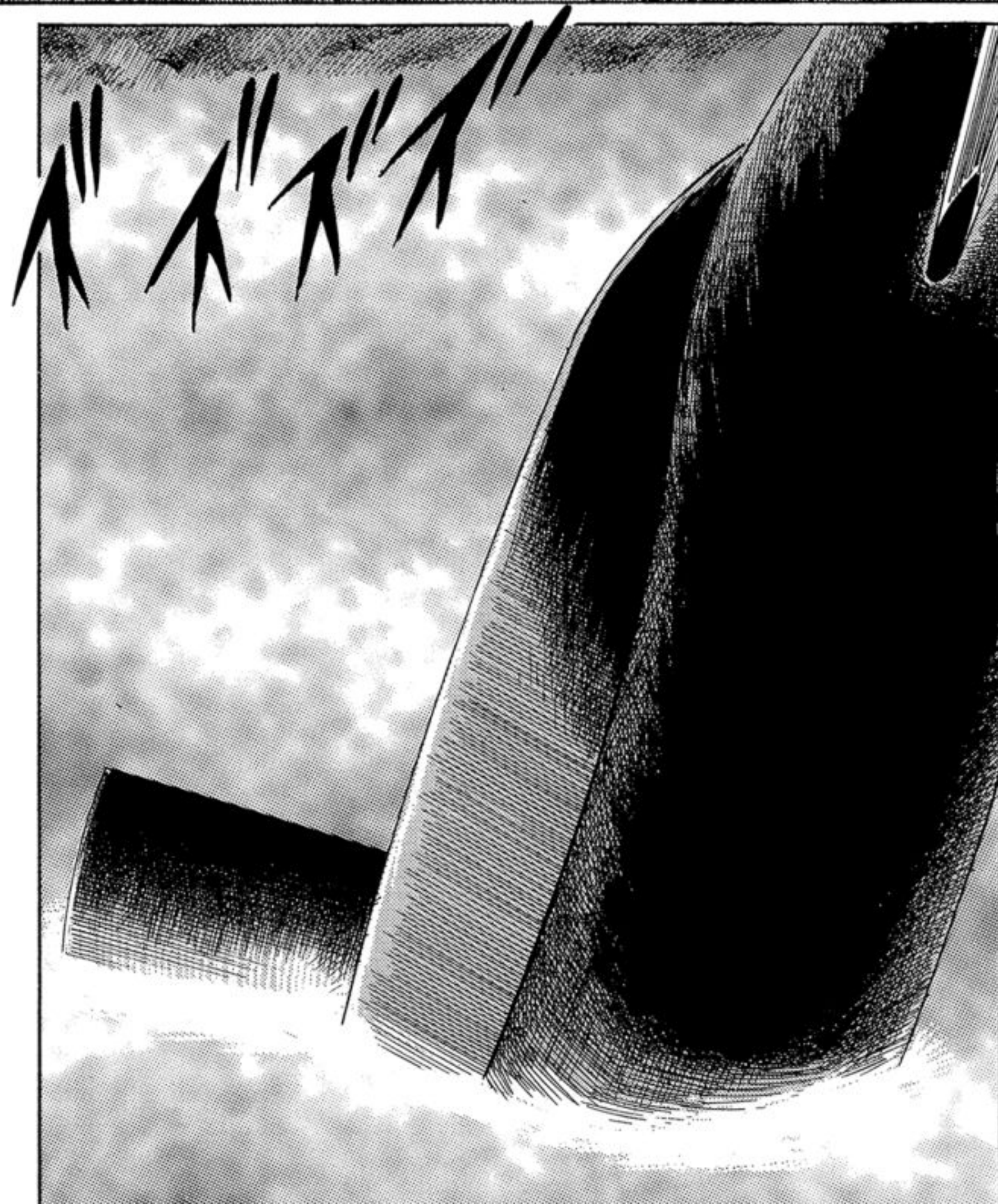
HEY, TAKE A LOOK AT THE SONAR! SOMETHING'S UP ON THE LAKEBED...!



THIS IS GONNA BE GOOD!

A NUKE SUB, IN A LAKE...? THAT'S NOT NORMAL, IS IT?





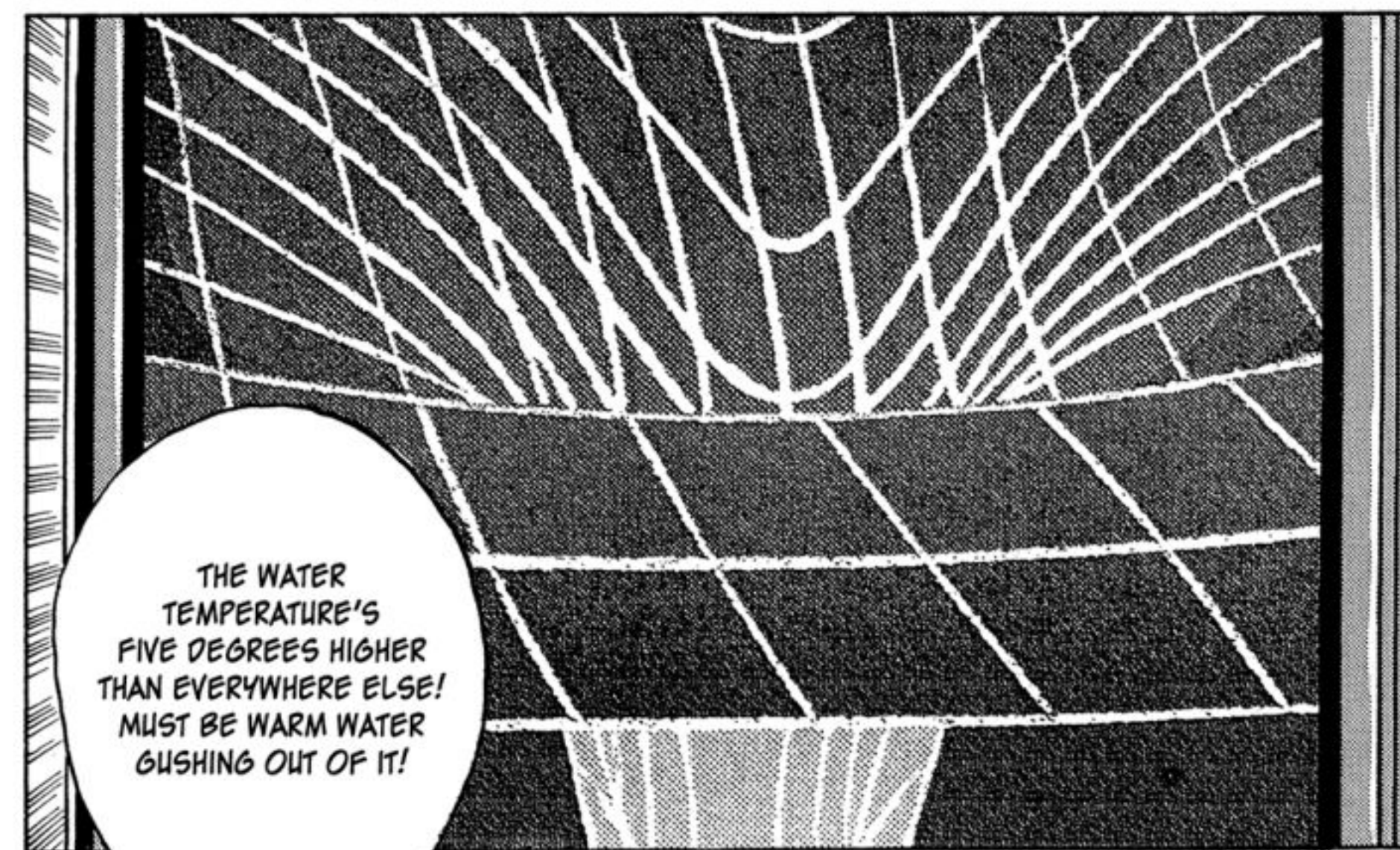
IT'S THE
"HOLE"!



THEY
AREN'T
COMING
BACK...!?

THE SOUND
WAVES JUST
AREN'T COMING
BACK!

I CAN'T
MEASURE
THE DEPTH
OF THAT
HOLE!



THE WATER
TEMPERATURE'S
FIVE DEGREES HIGHER
THAN EVERYWHERE ELSE!
MUST BE WARM WATER
GUSHING OUT OF IT!



WAIT,
DOES THAT
MEAN IT'S
BOTTOM-
LESS?



I'LL
PAY YOU
DOUBLE!
COME ON,
PETER!

WE'LL
NEVER FIGURE
ANYTHING OUT
FROM HERE!
WE'VE GOTTA
FIND OUT WHAT'S
AT THE BOTTOM
OF THE HOLE!

HARRY!

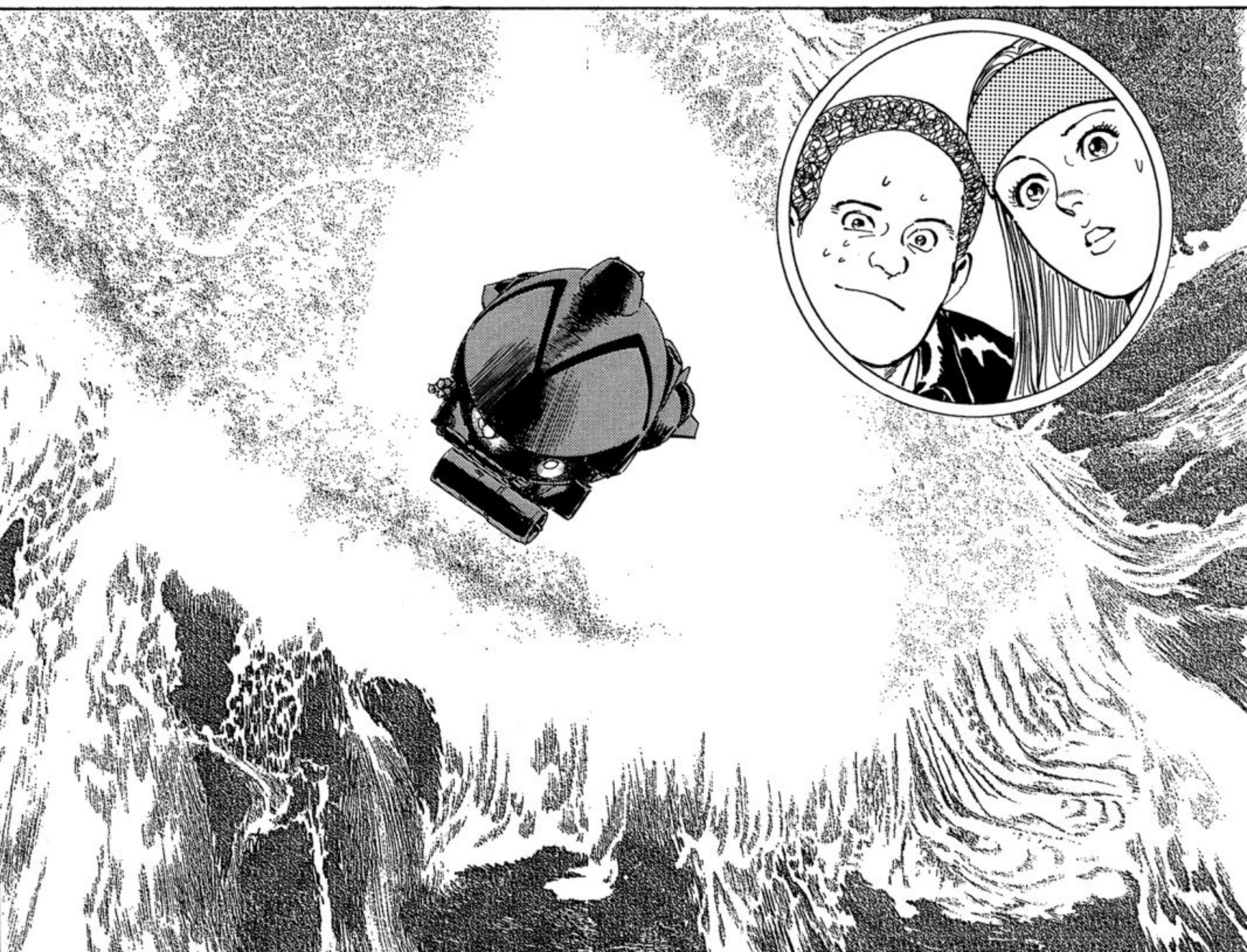
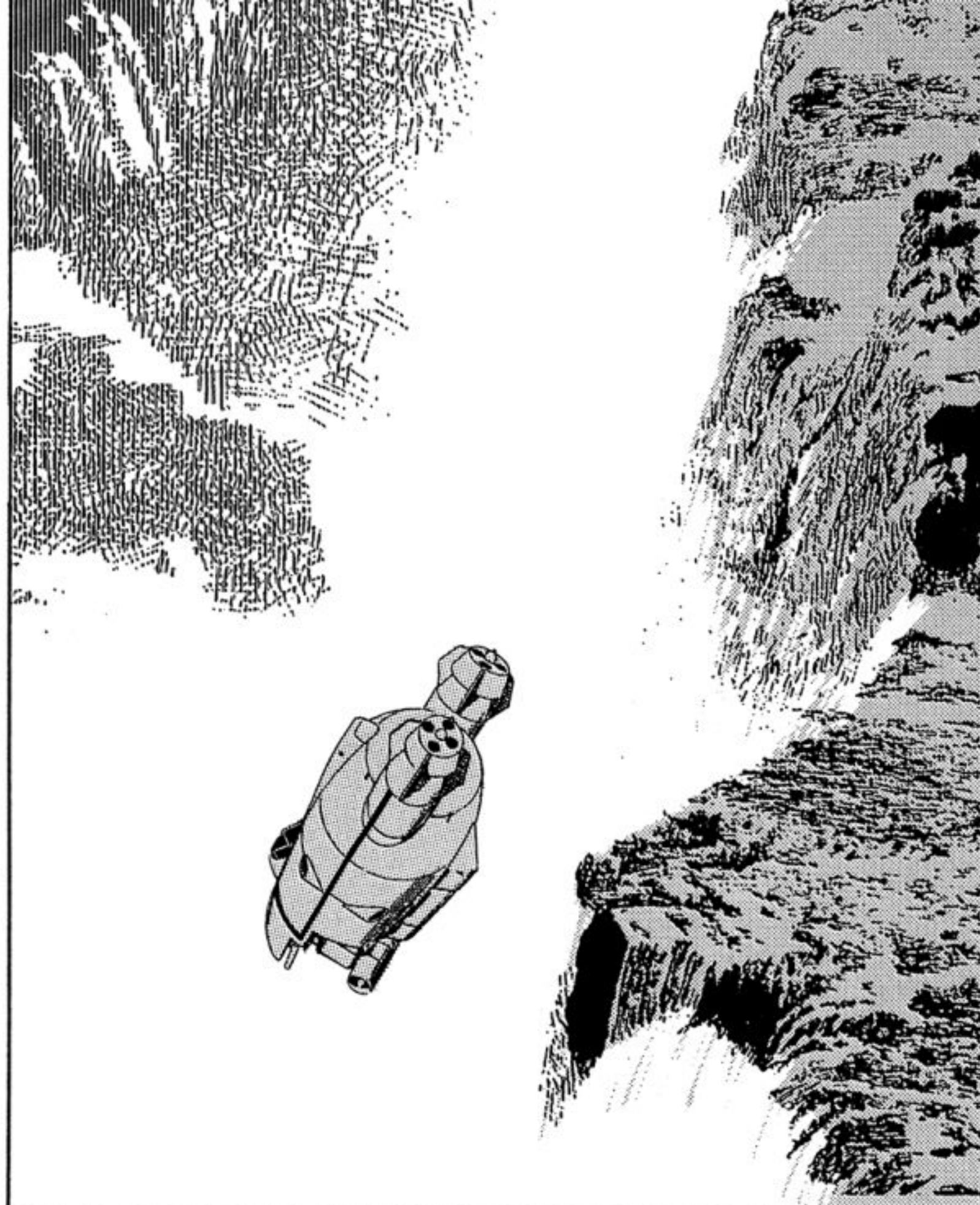


DOUBLE
...



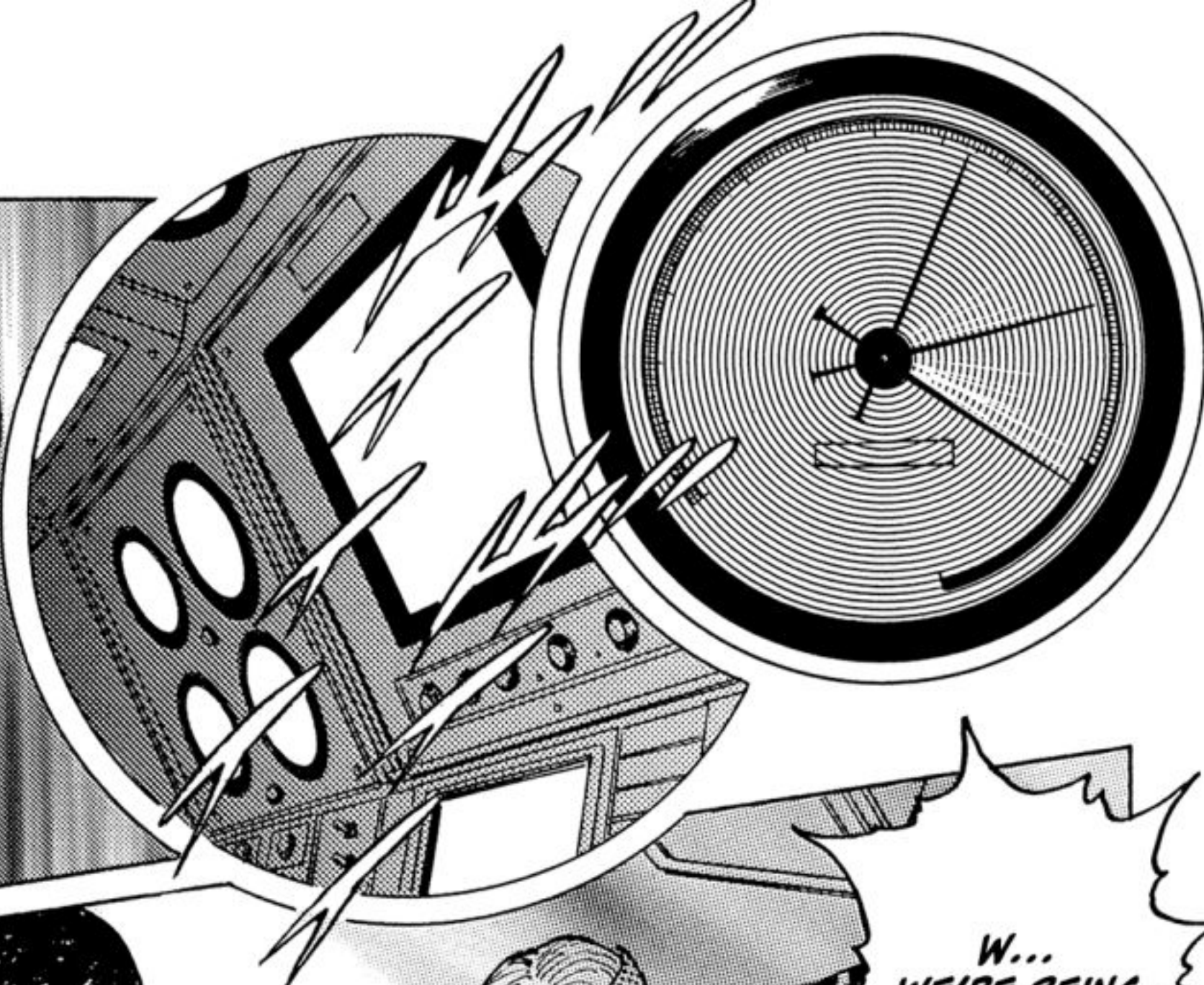
YOU'VE
GOTTA BE
KIDDING ME!
THAT'S NO
ORDINARY
CAVE!!

BUT THE
NUKE SUB WENT
THROUGH IT,
AND THERE'S A
CABLE RUNNING
INTO IT! WE CAN
GO THROUGH!

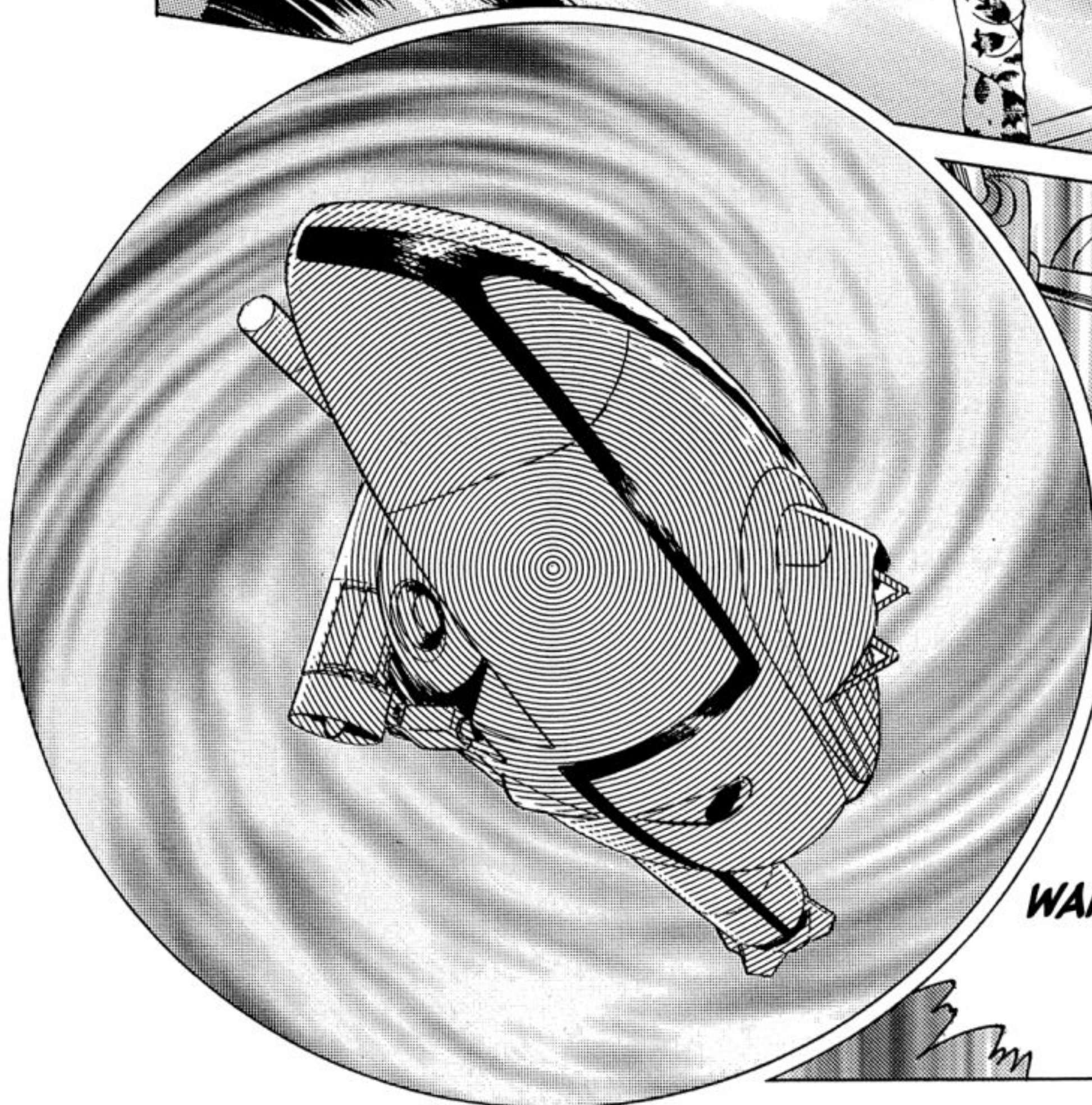




THE
INSTRU-
MENTS...!?



W...
WE'RE BEING
SUCKED IN!!



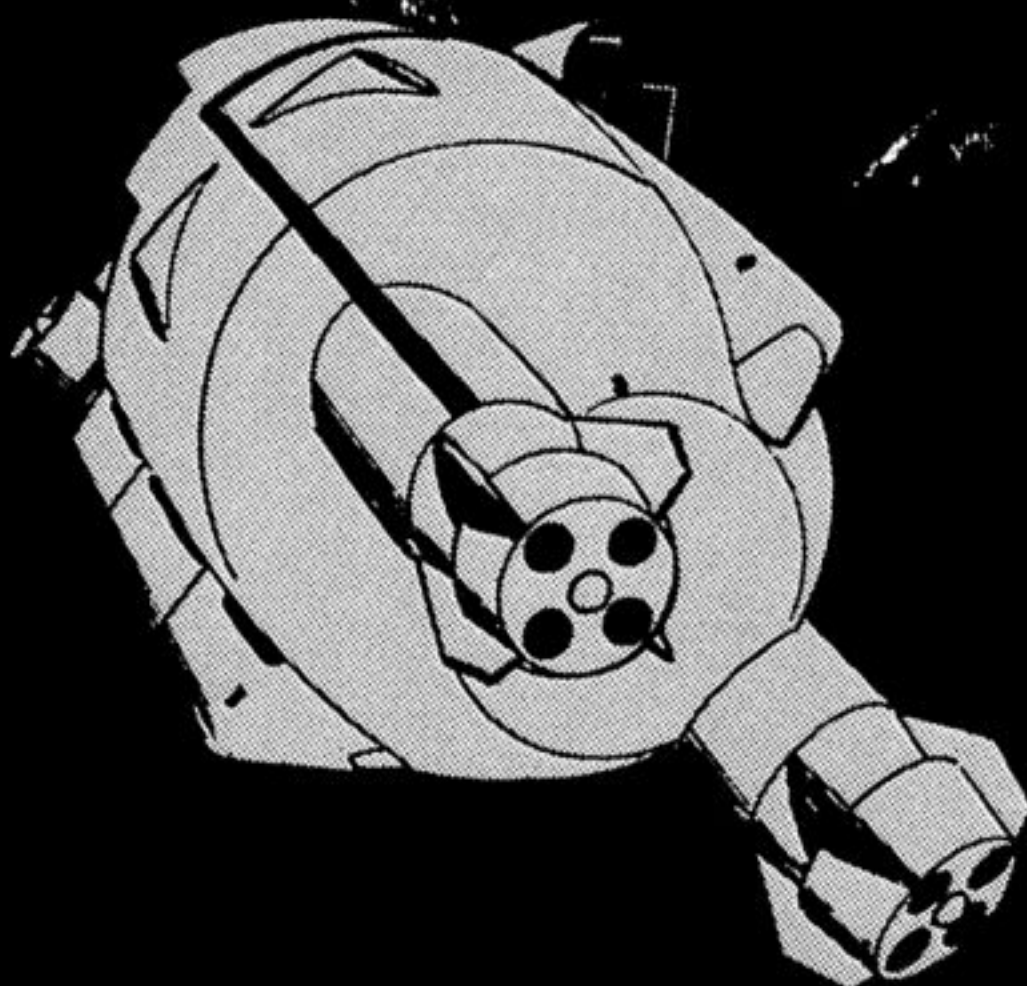
EMER-
GENCY
BLOW!

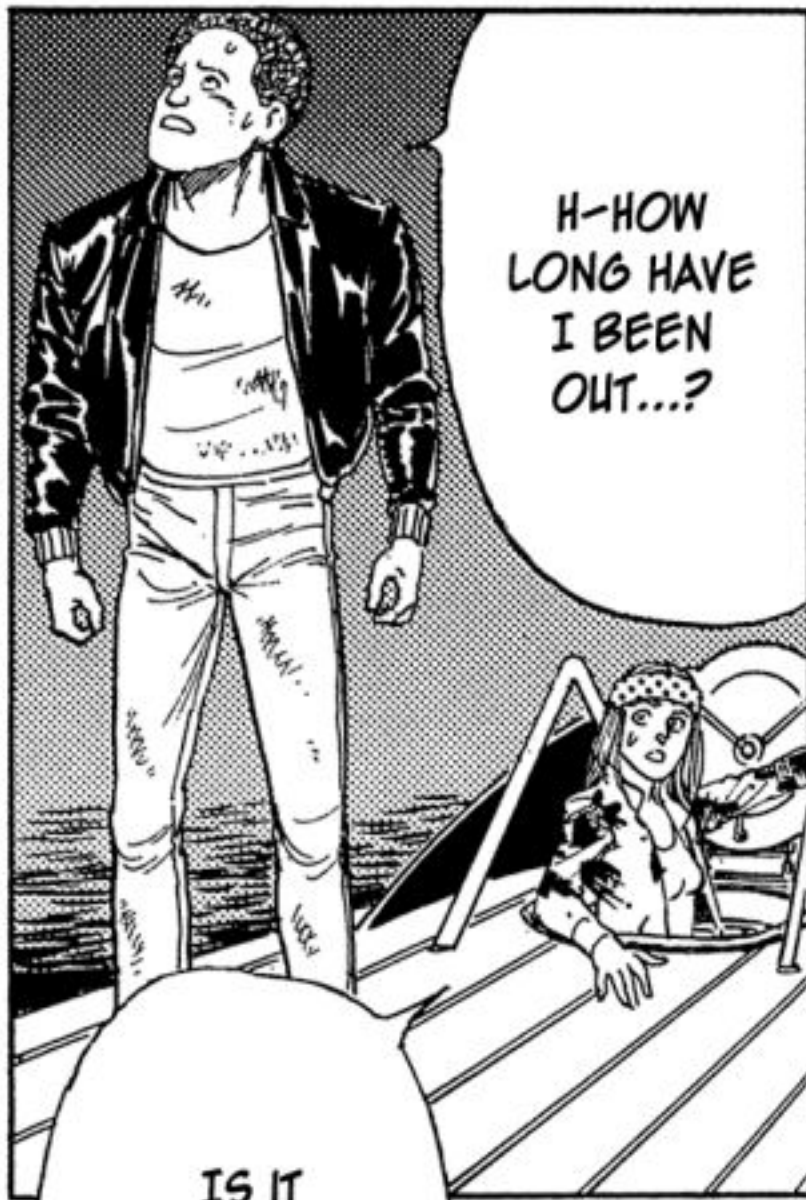
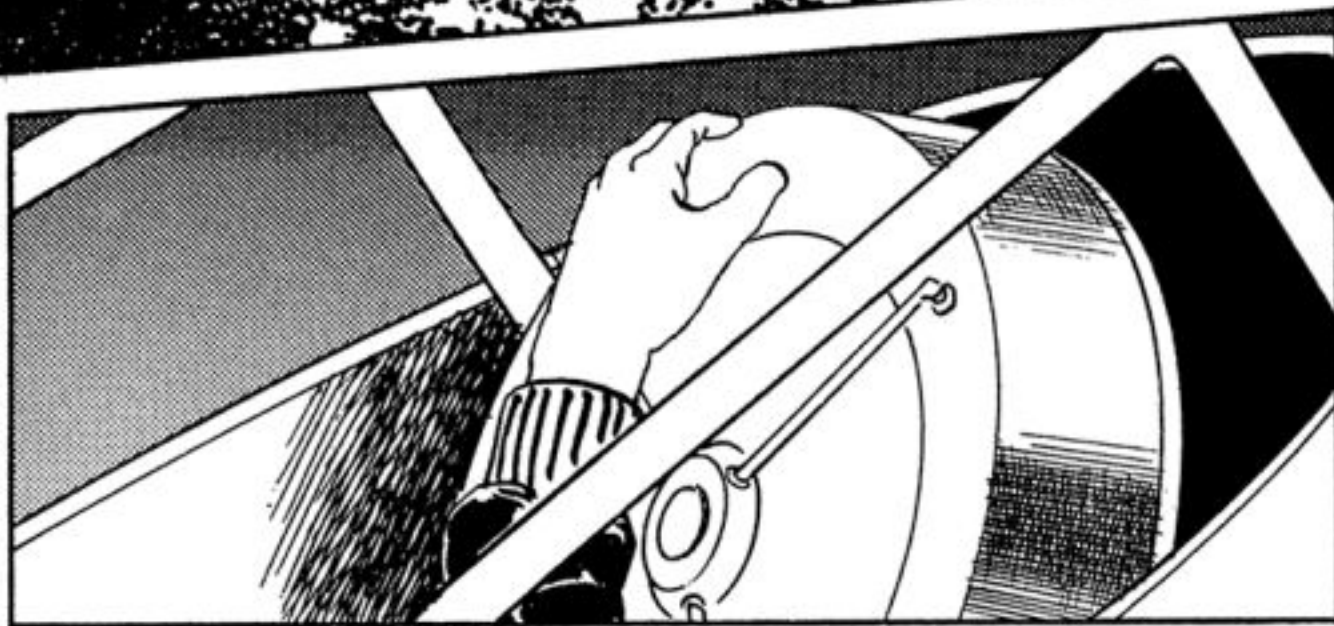
WAIT!!



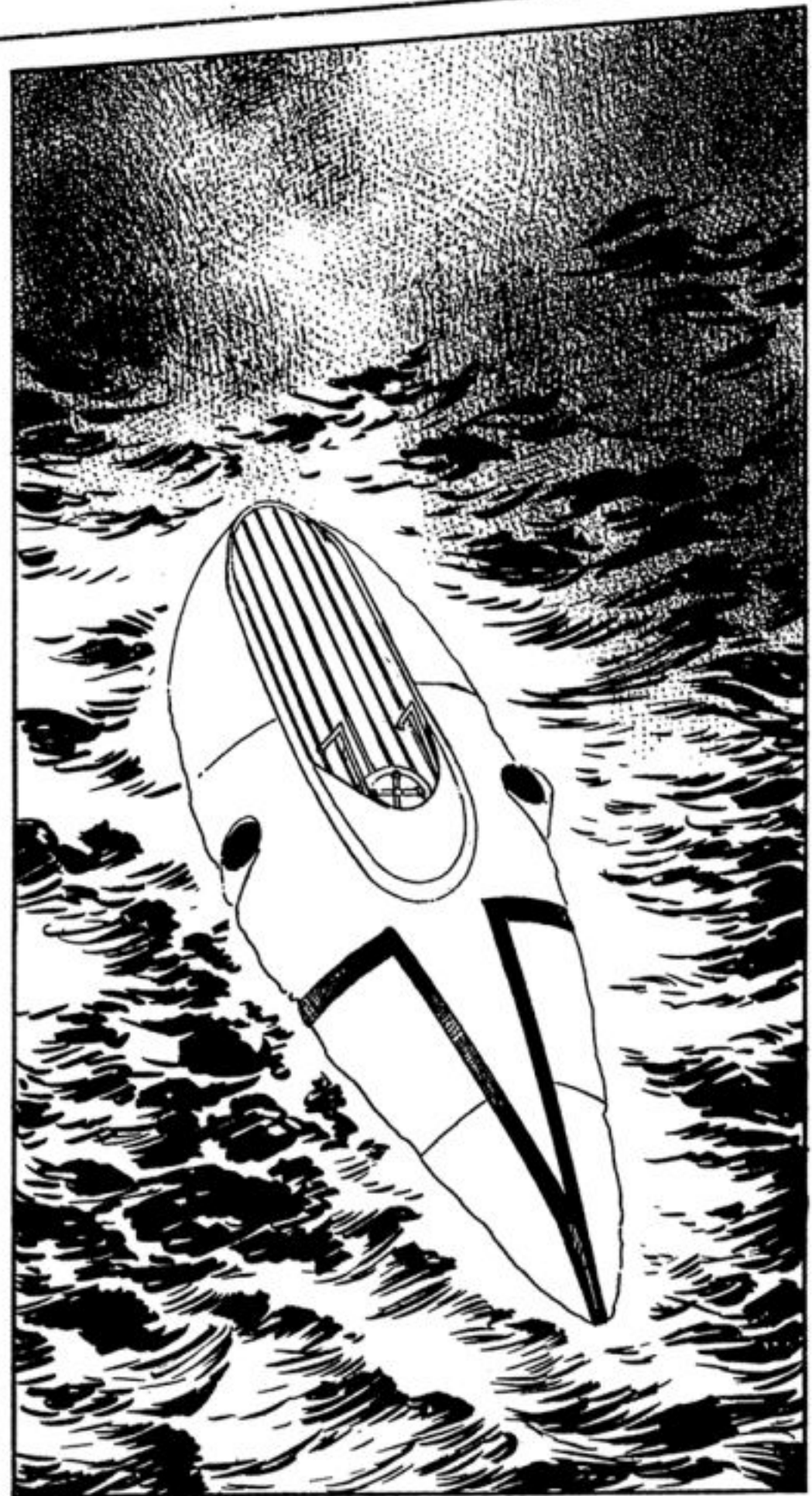


WAAAAAA
AAAUGH...



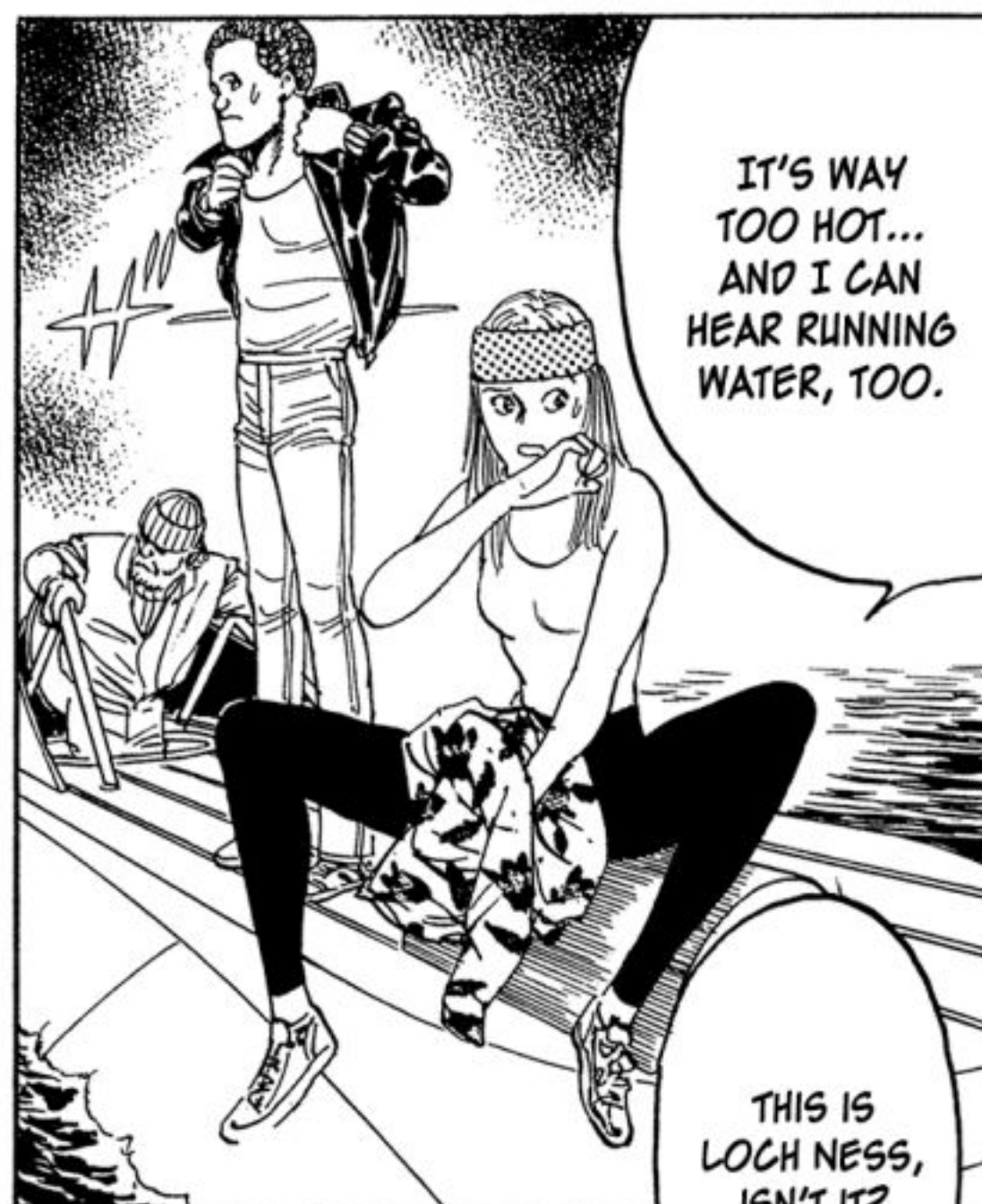
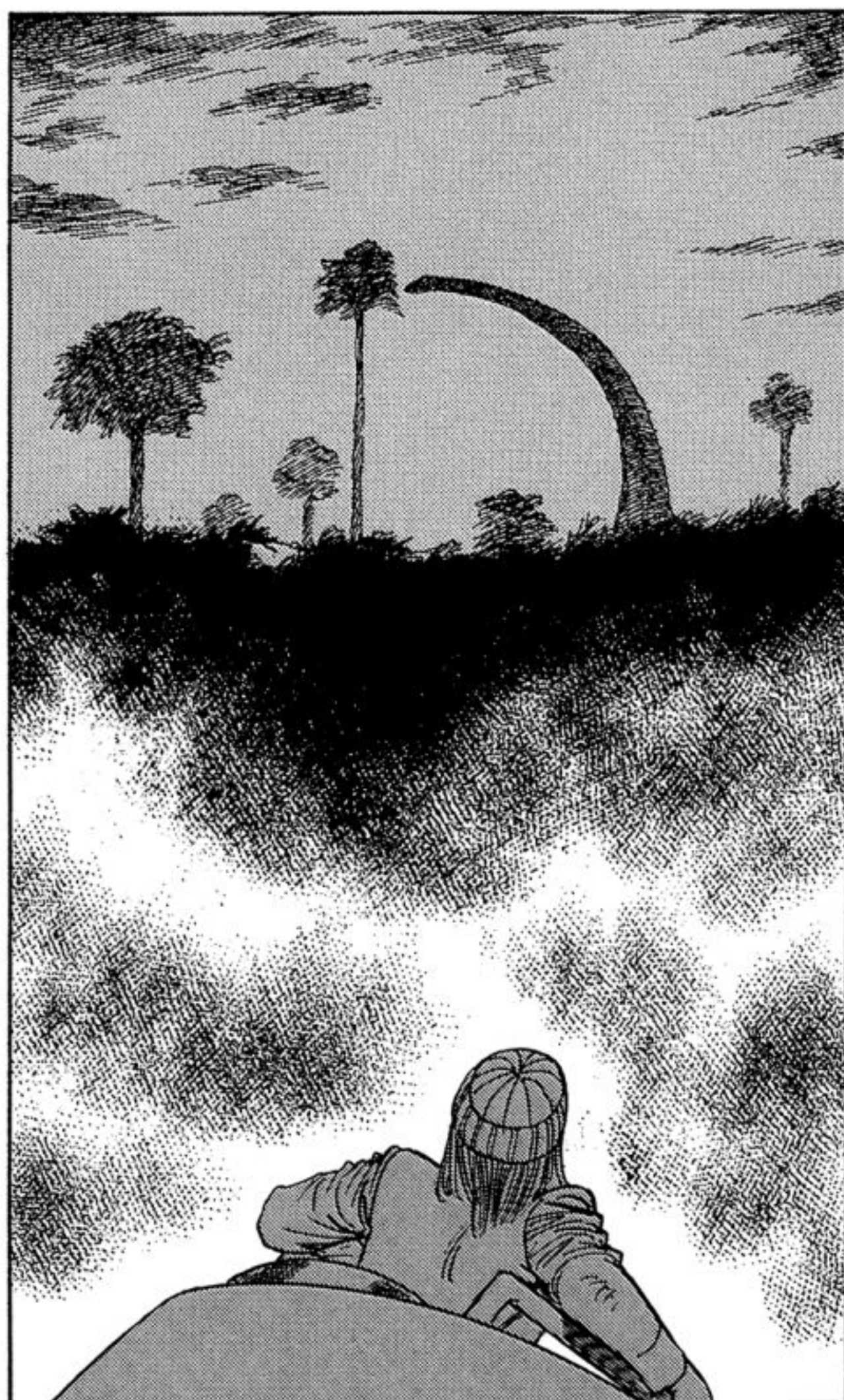
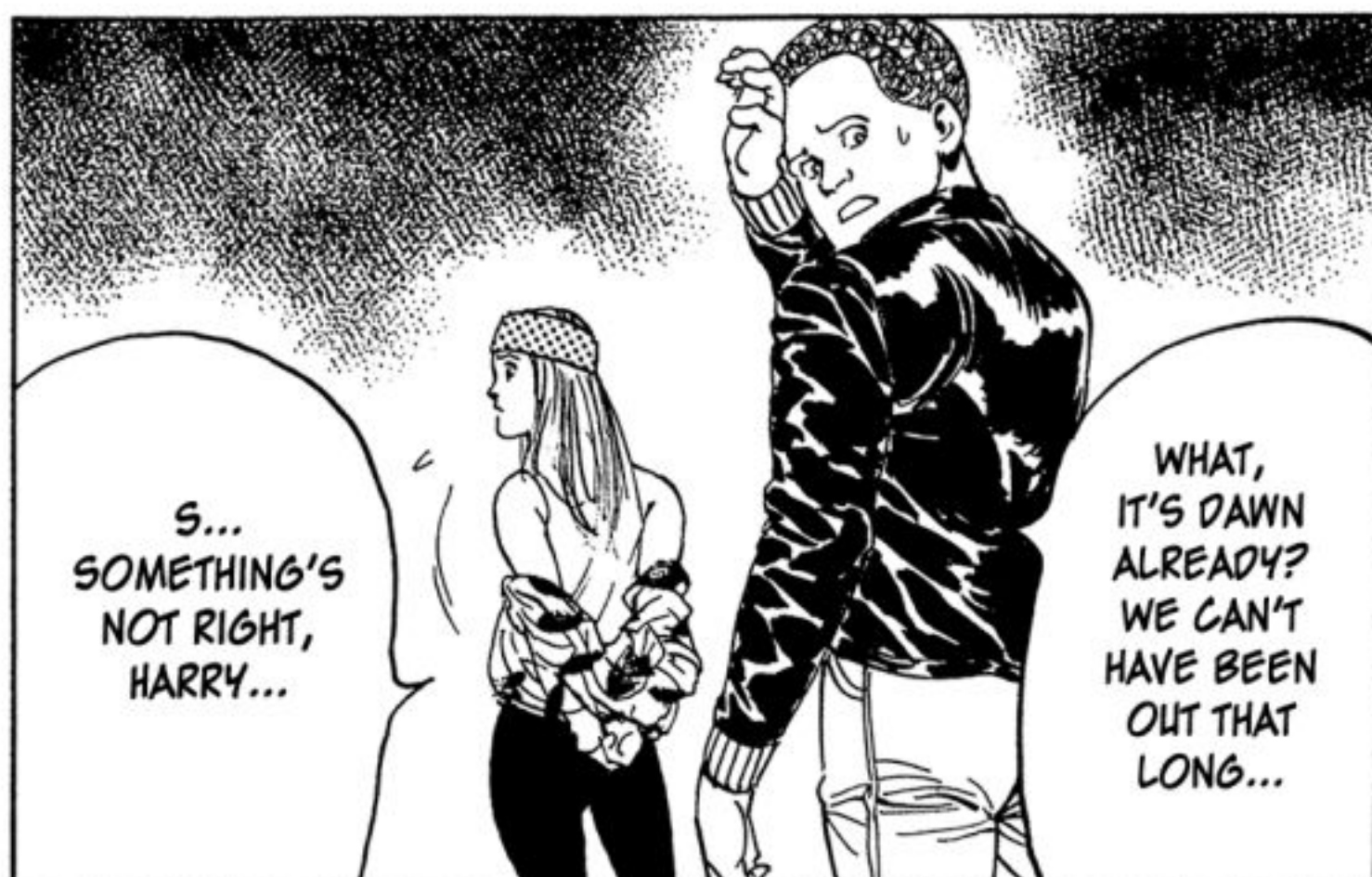


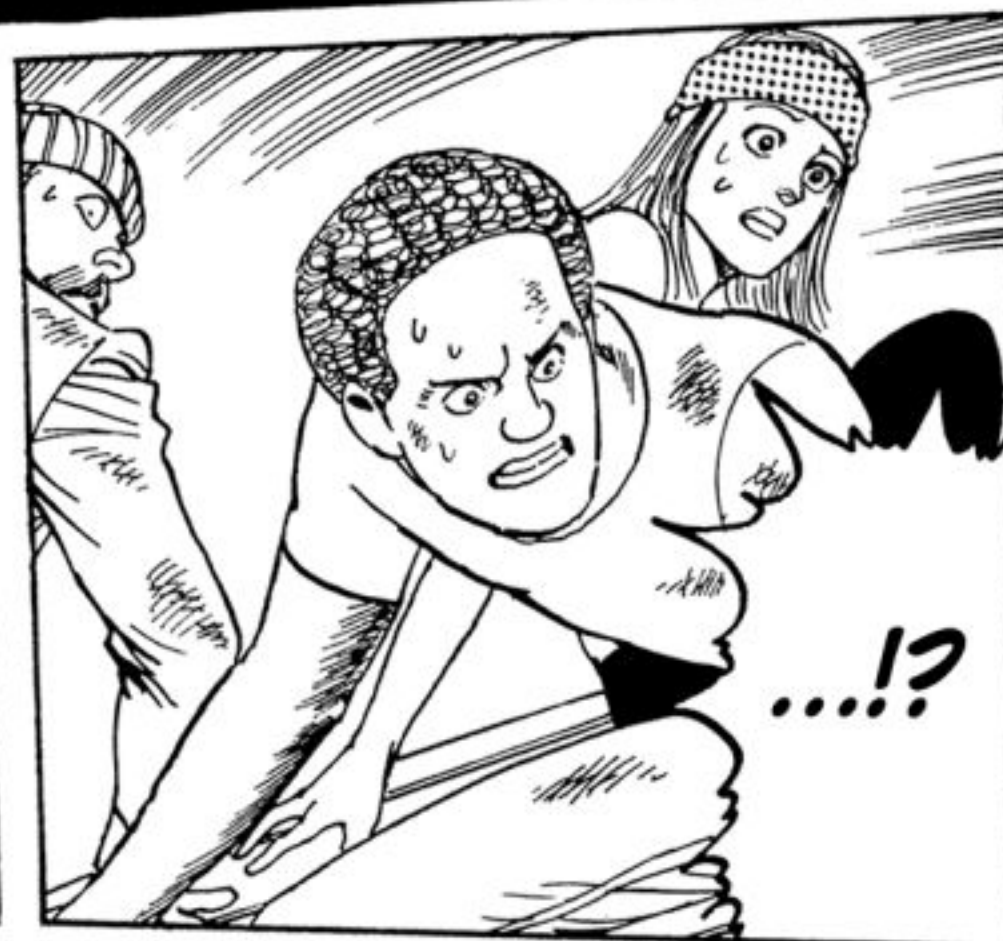
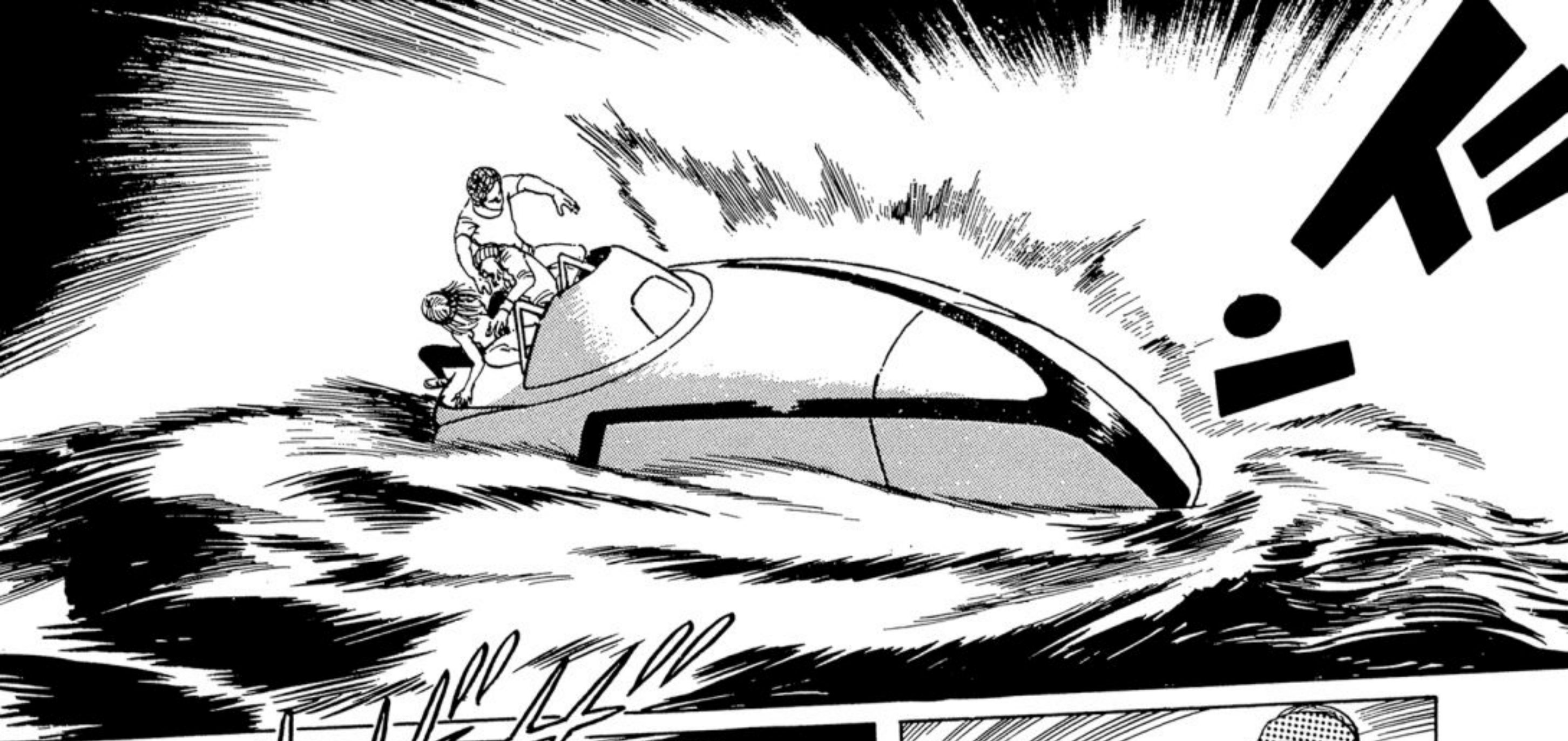
H-HOW
LONG HAVE
I BEEN
OUT...?

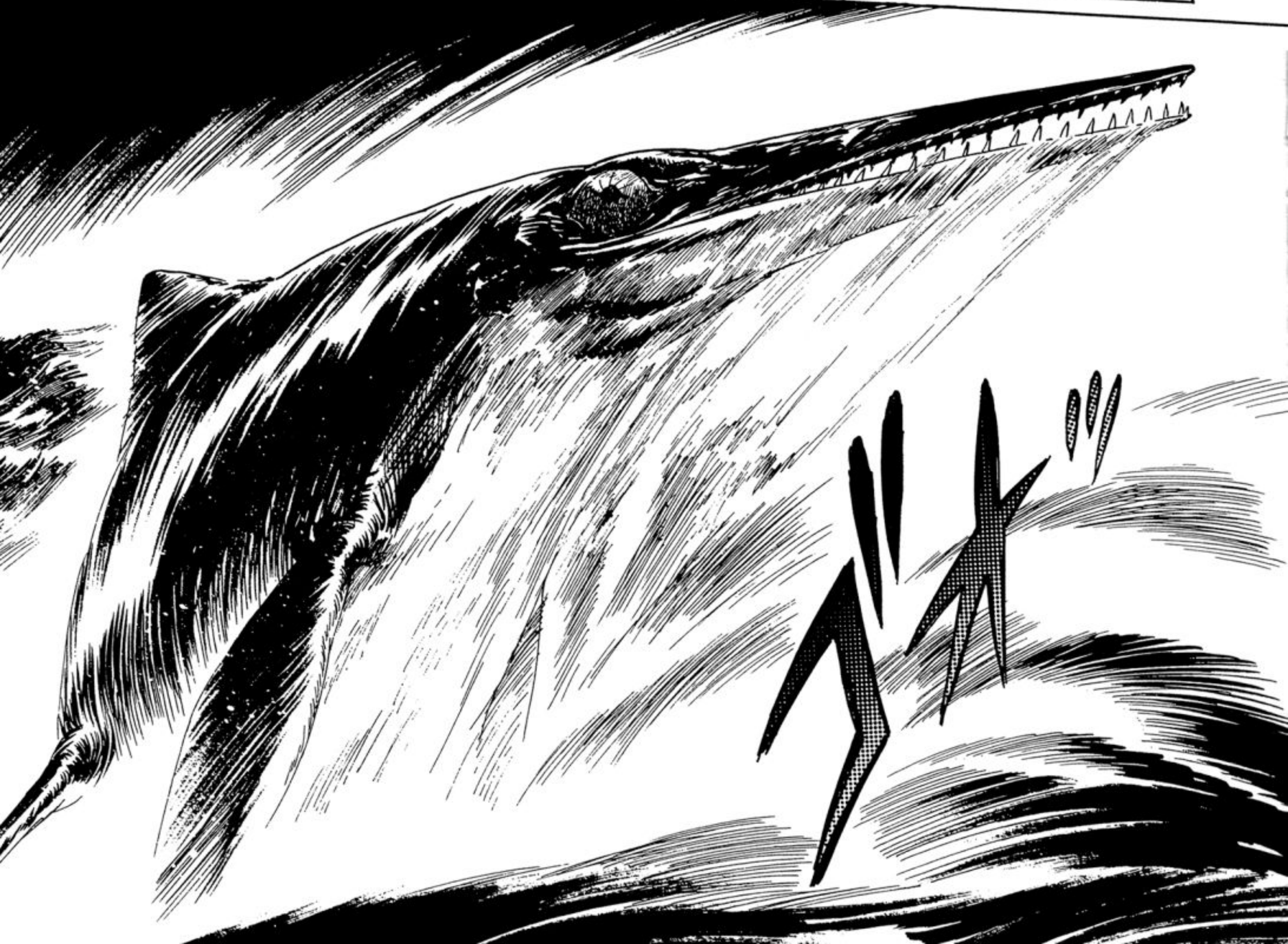


IS IT
NIGHT OUT?
FEELS REALLY
HOT AND
MUGGY...

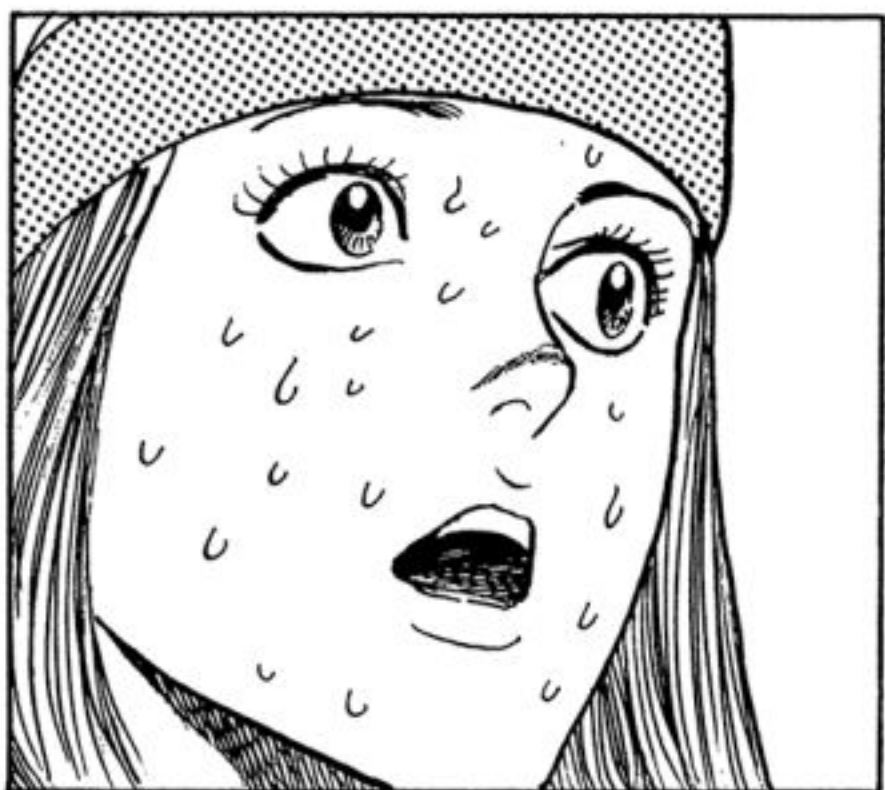
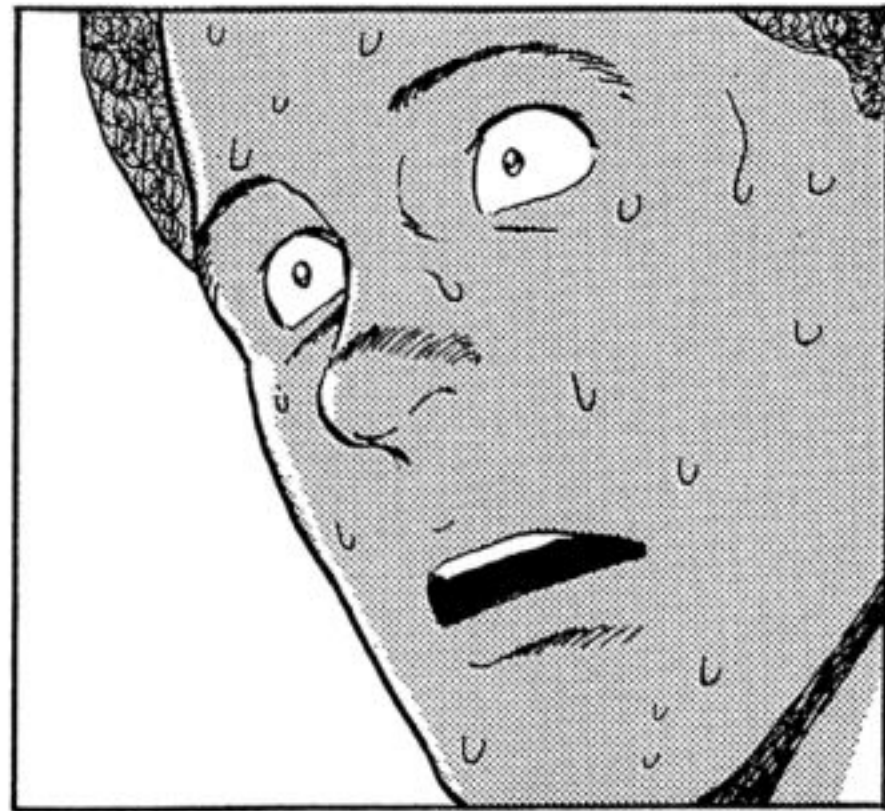


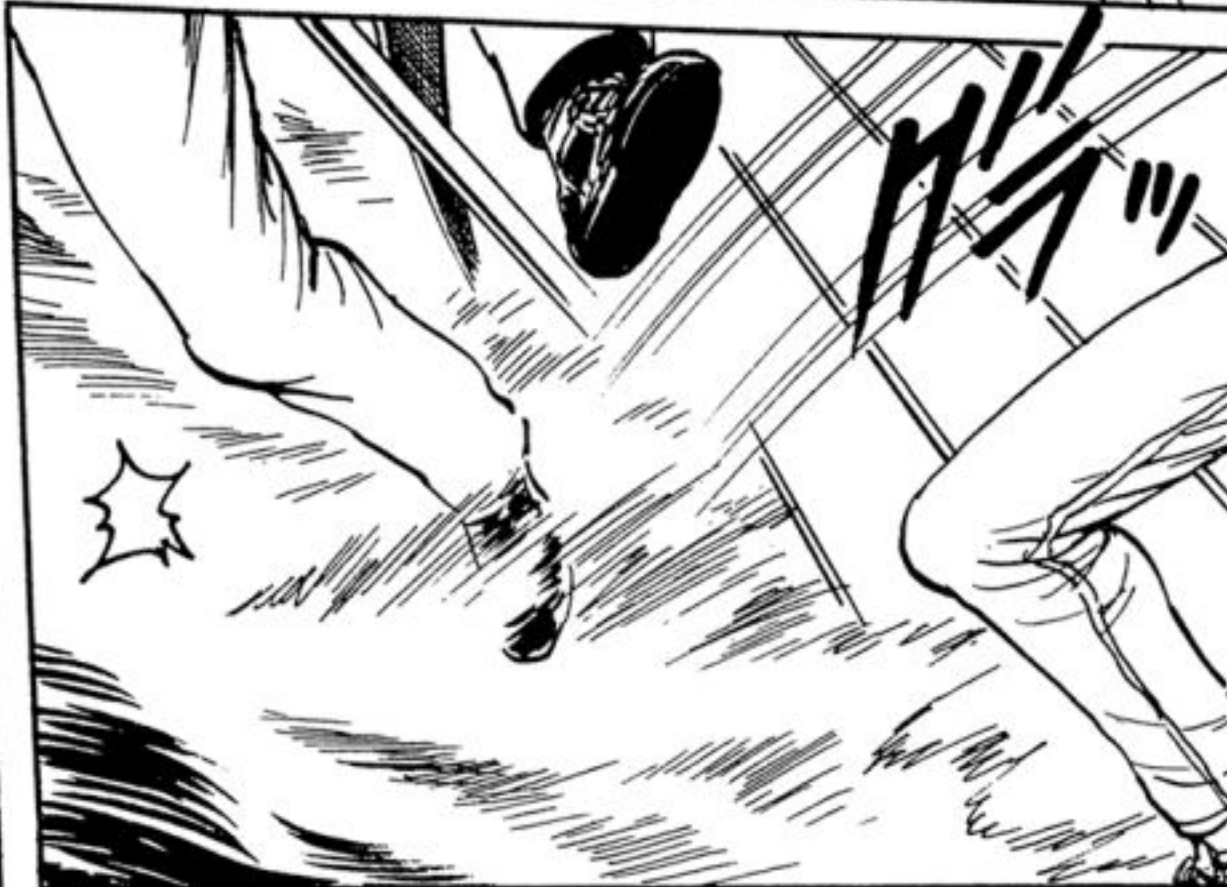
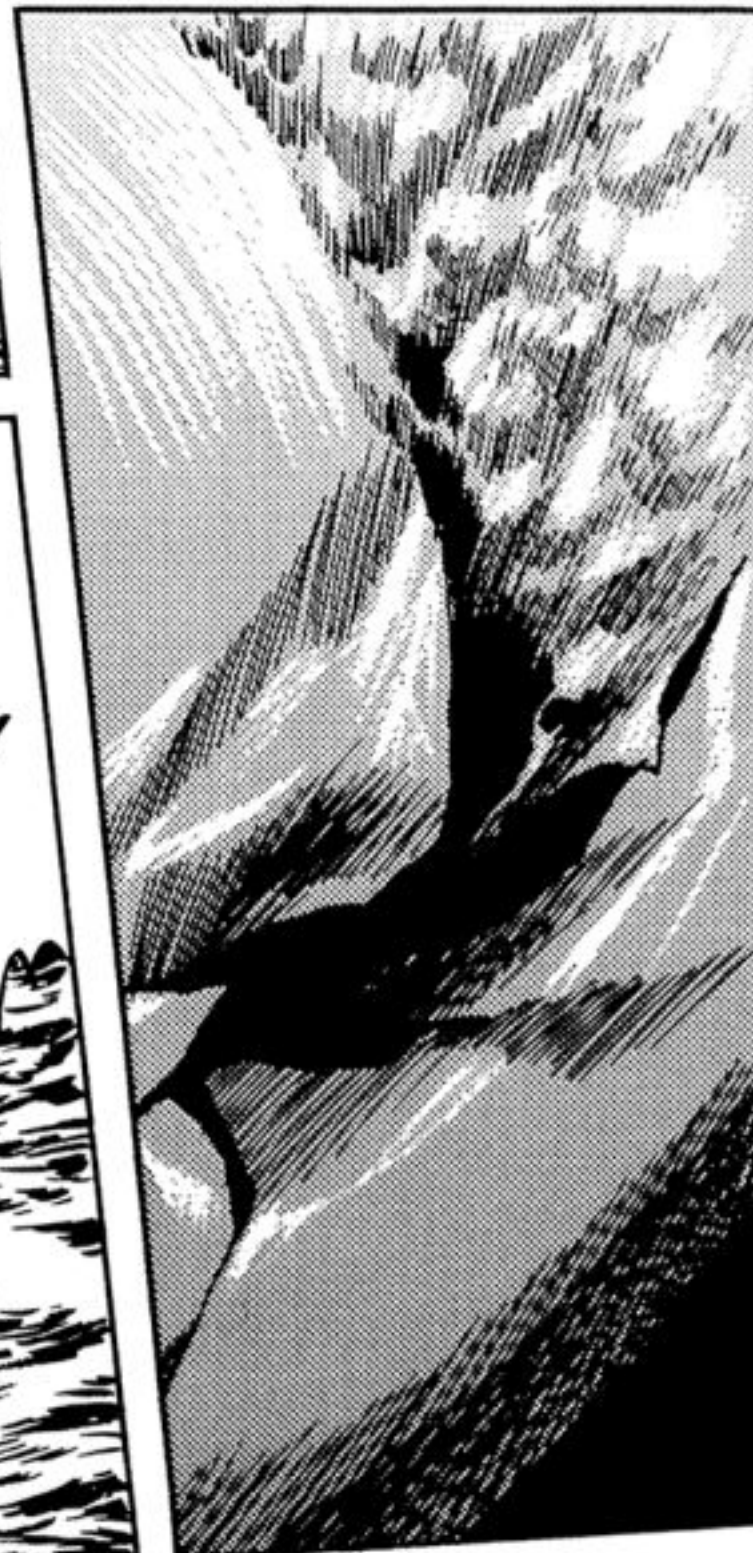
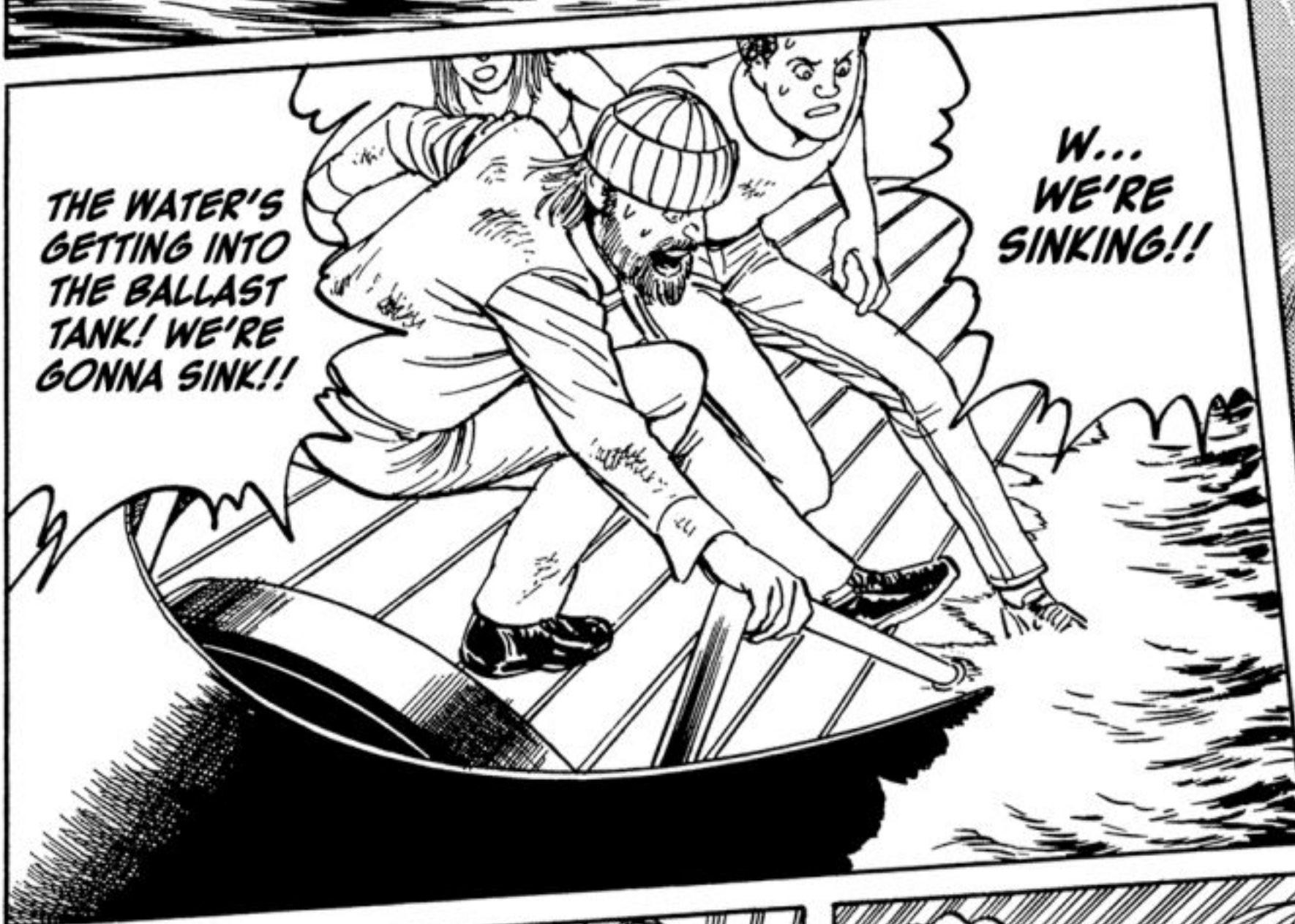


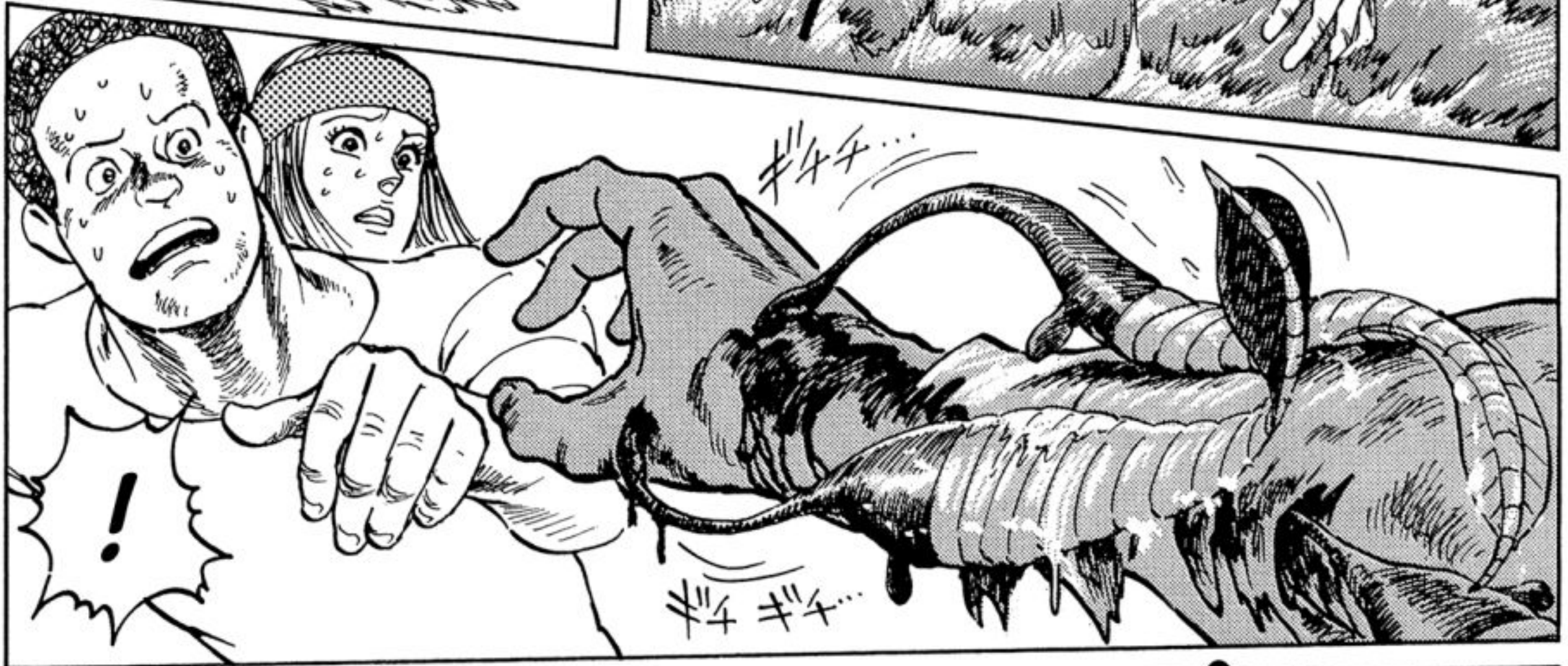


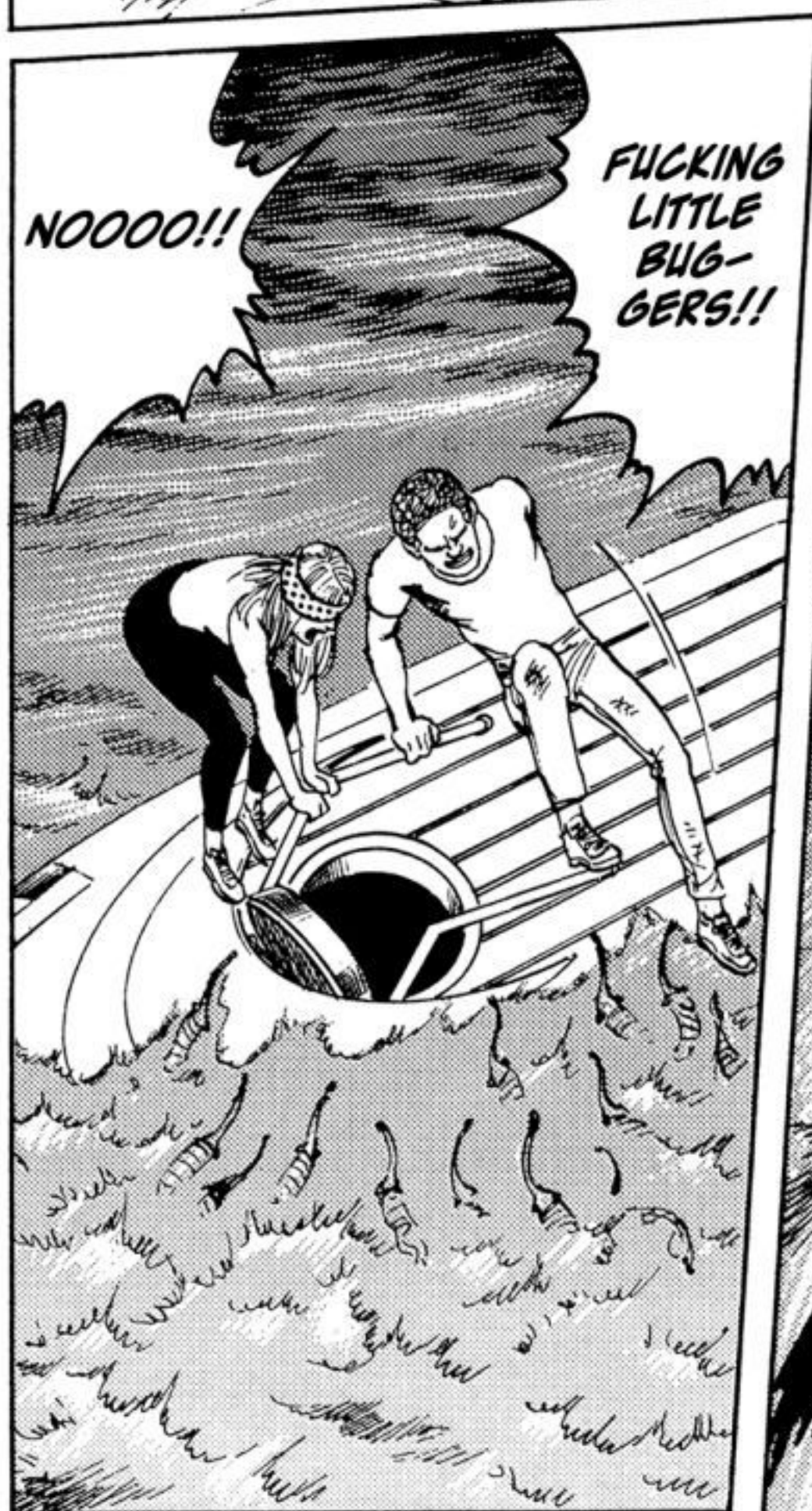
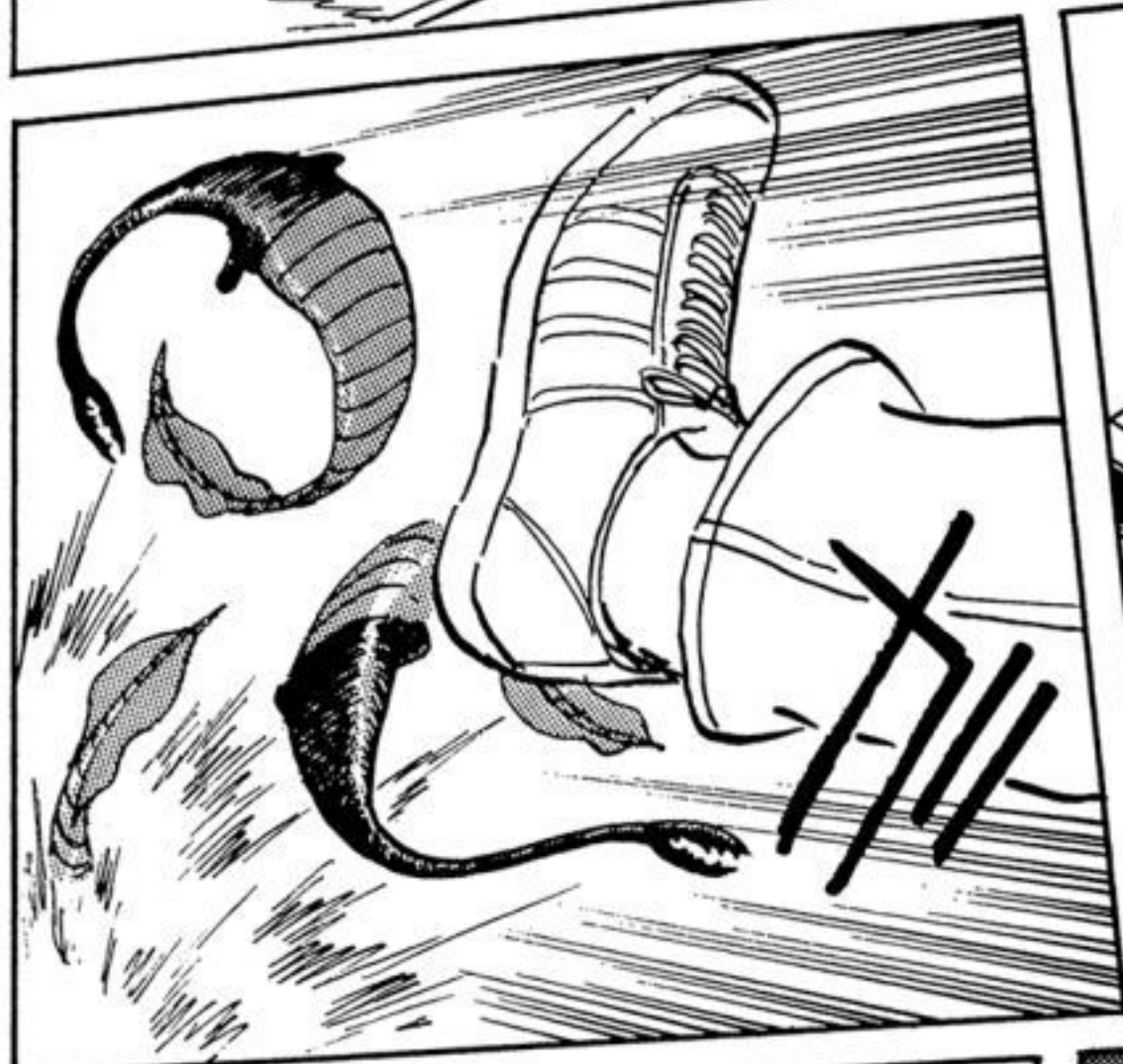
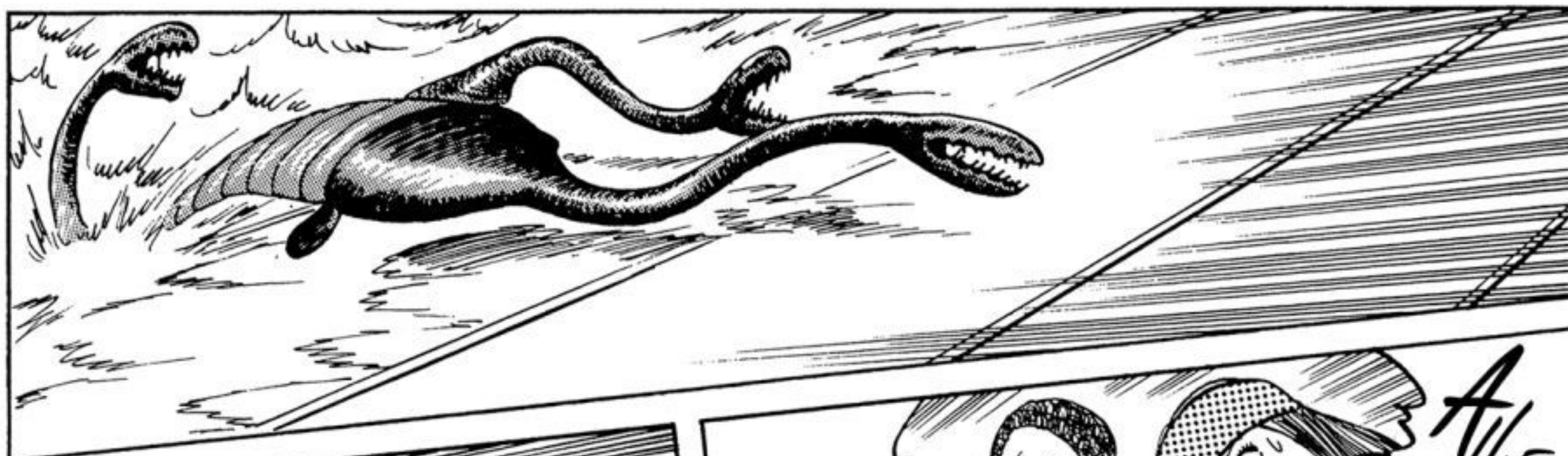


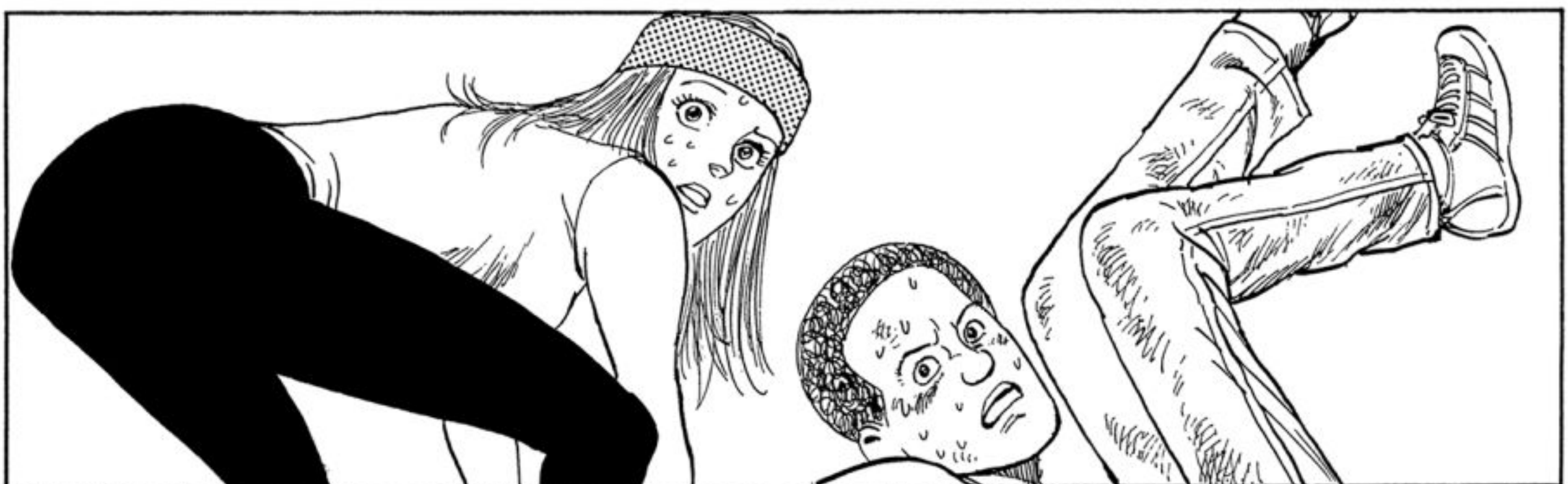




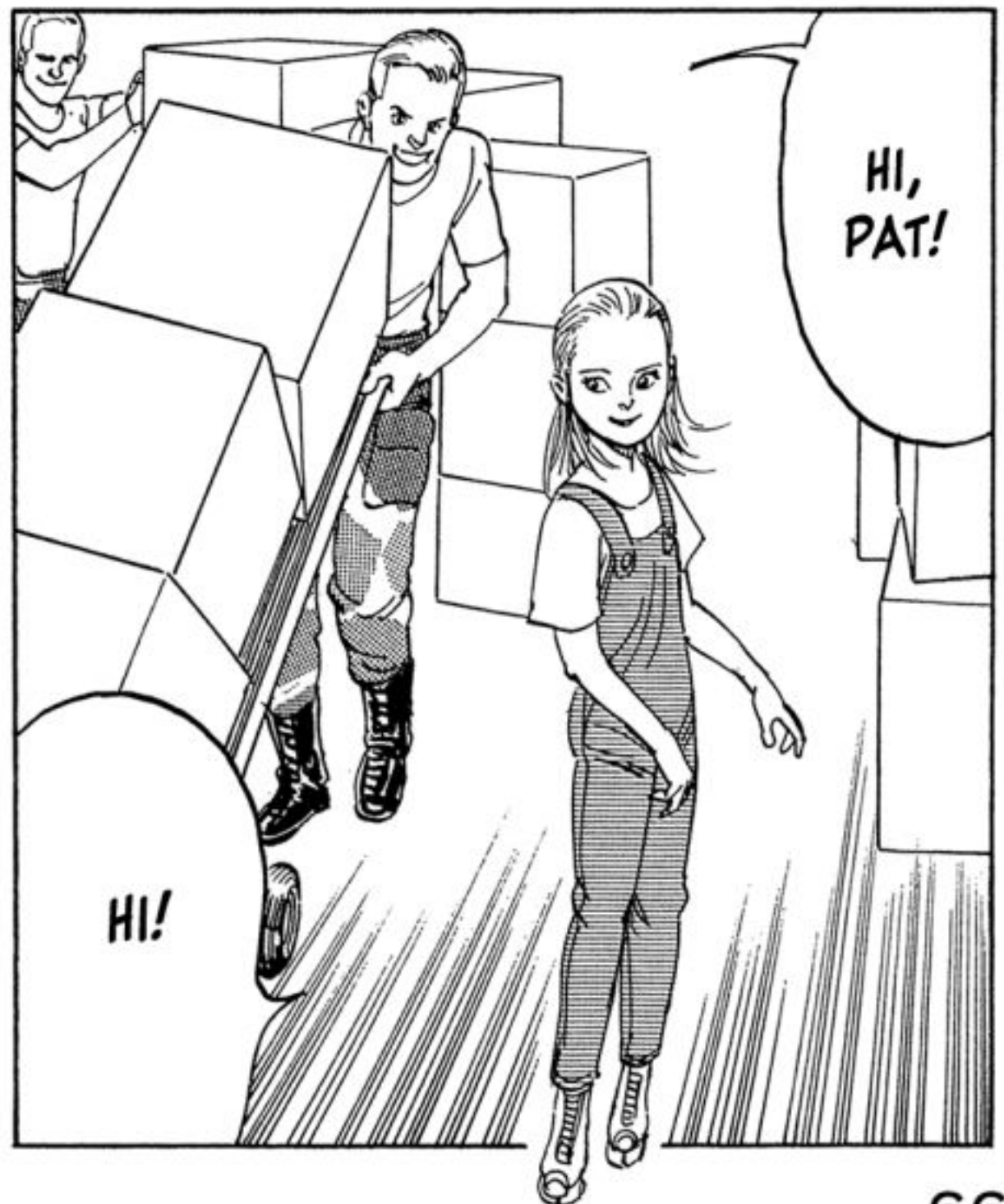
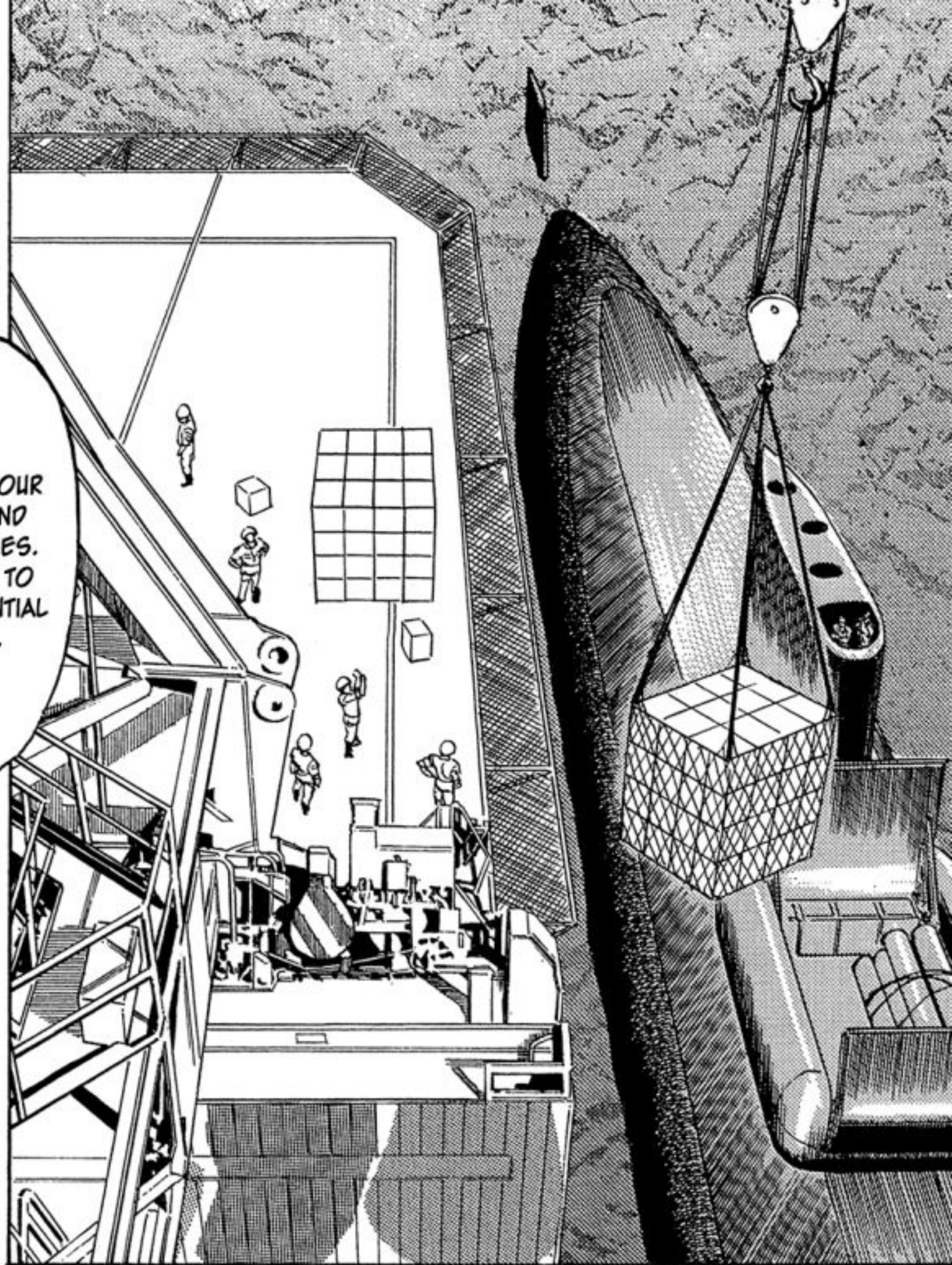


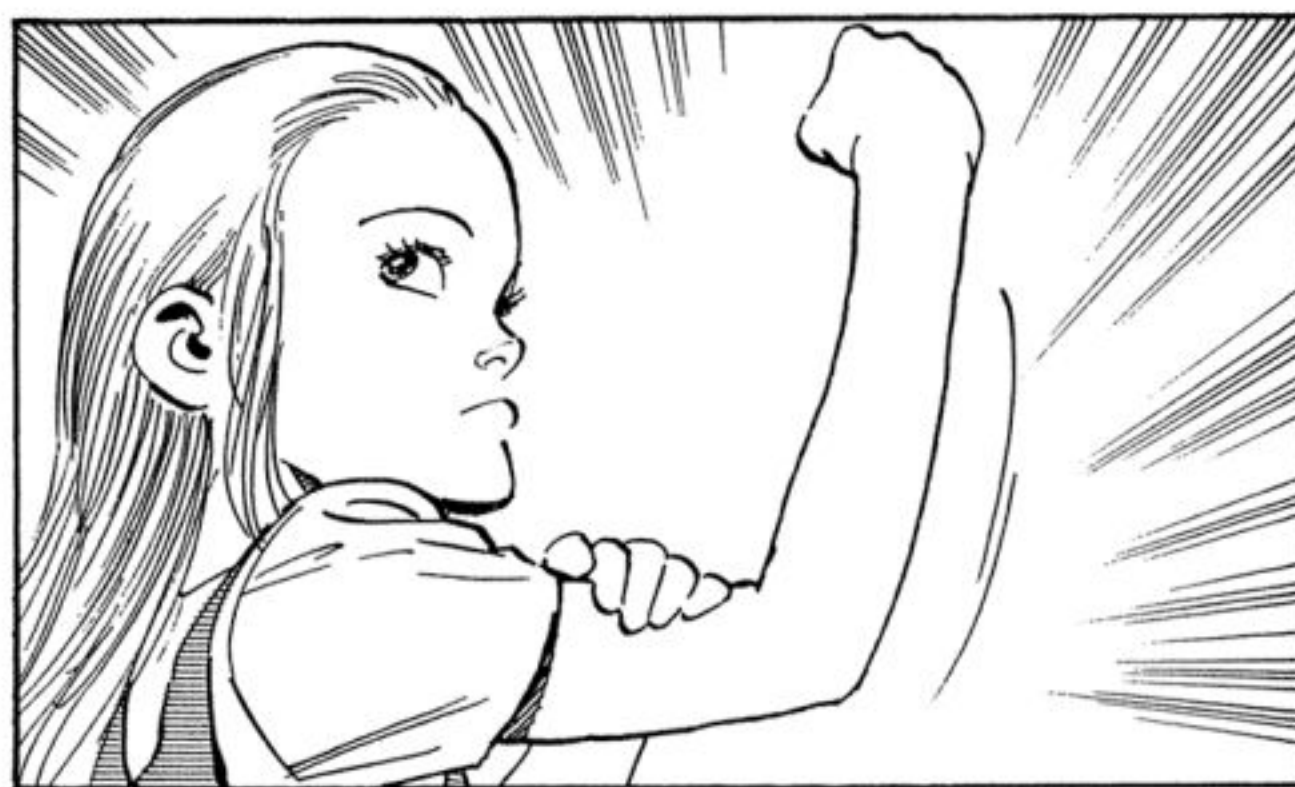
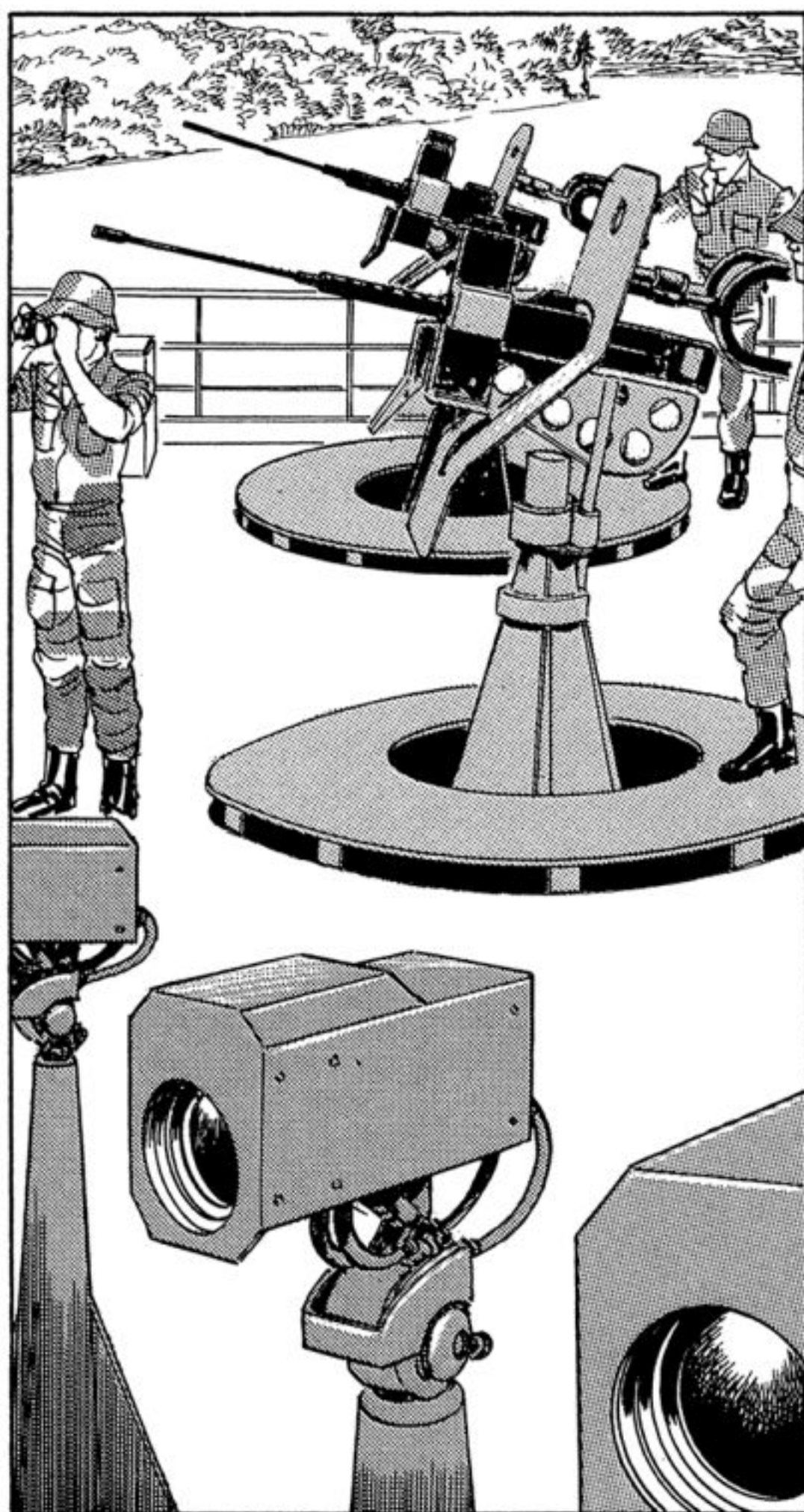


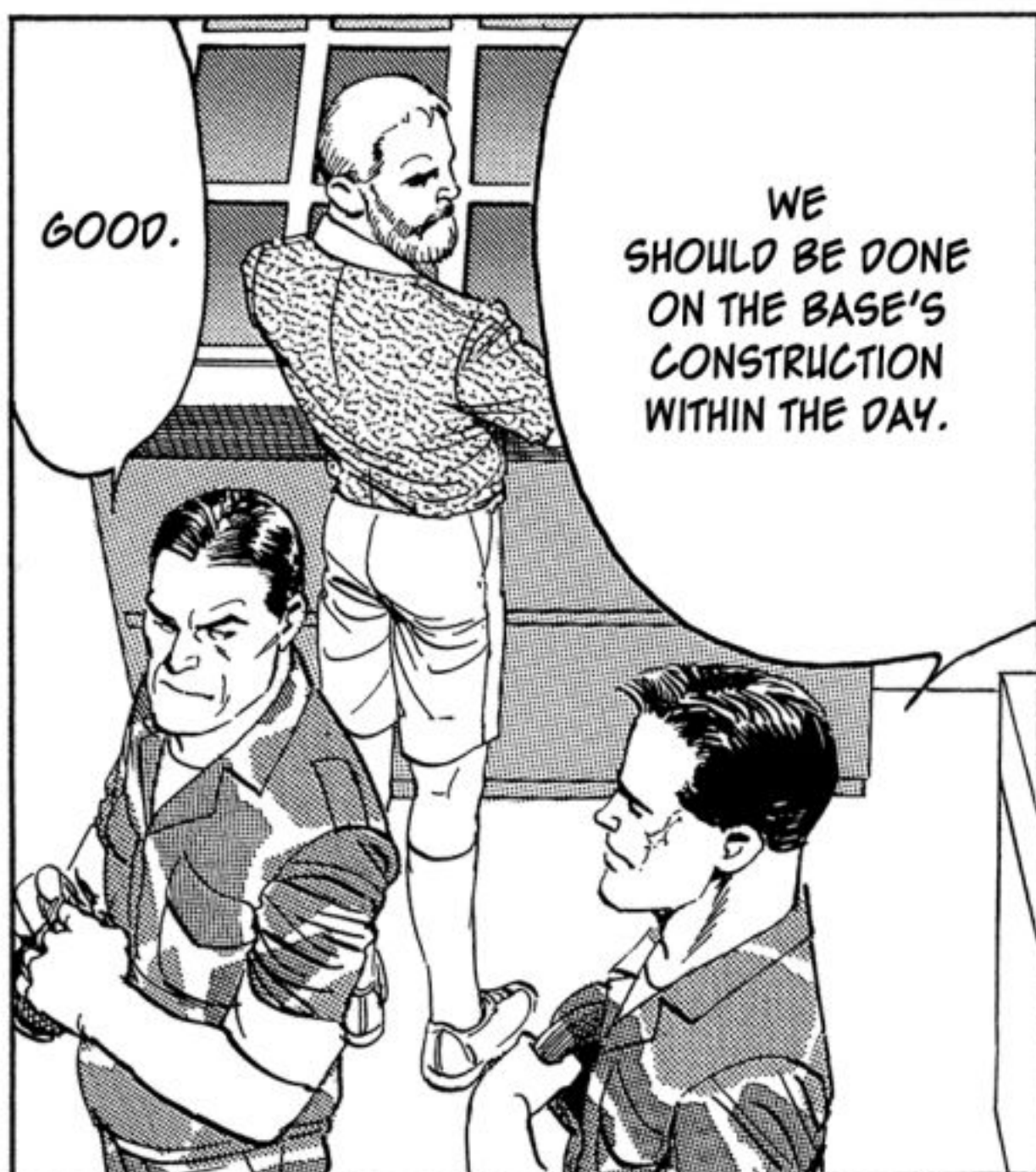
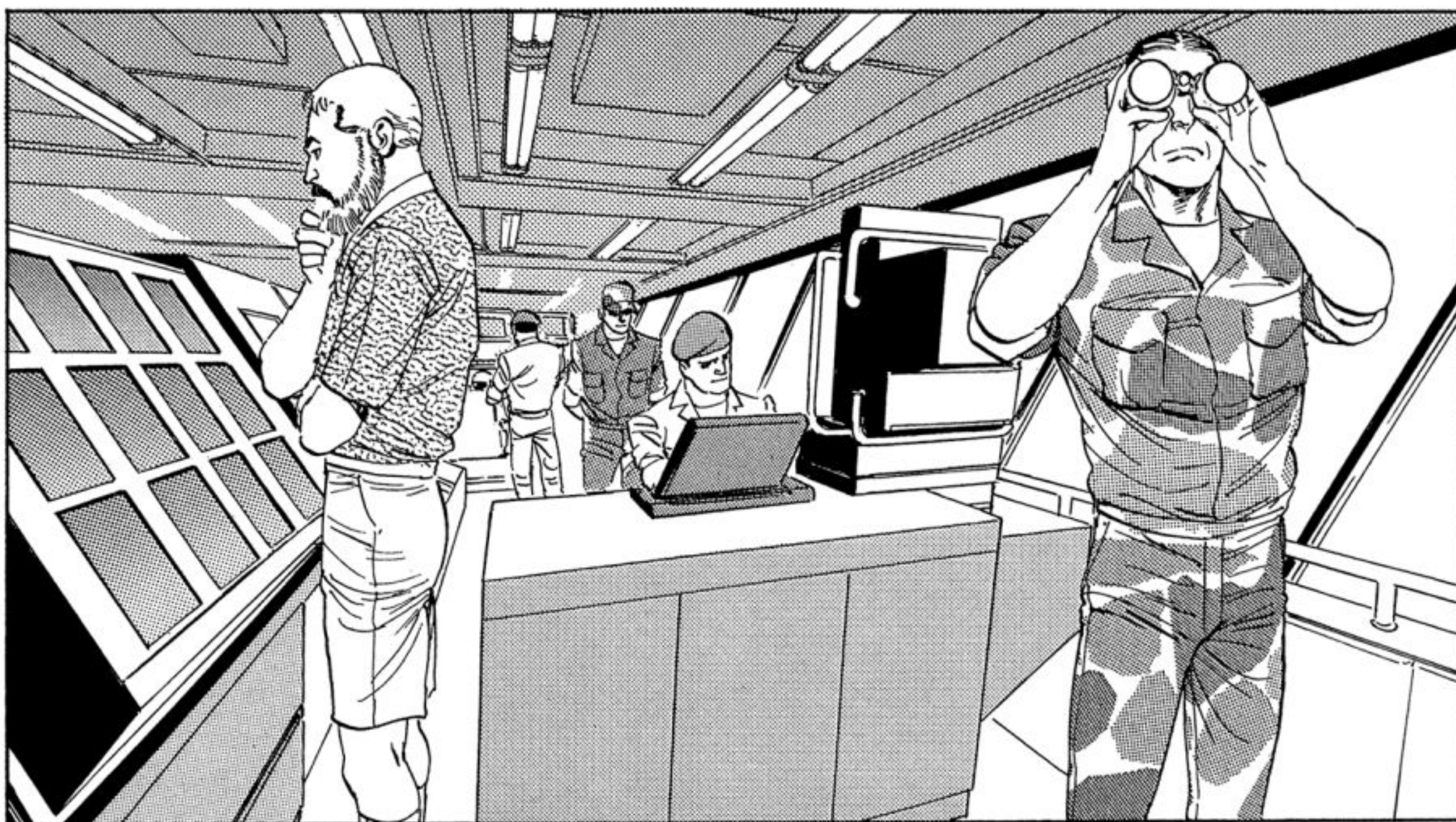
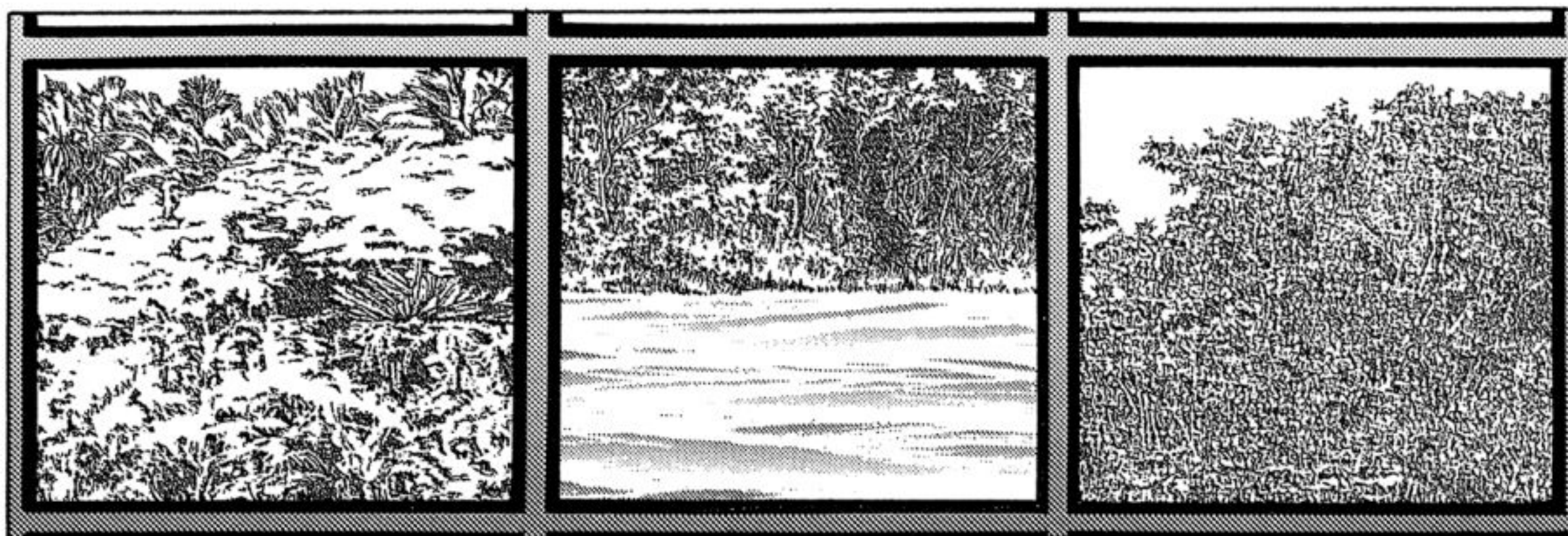


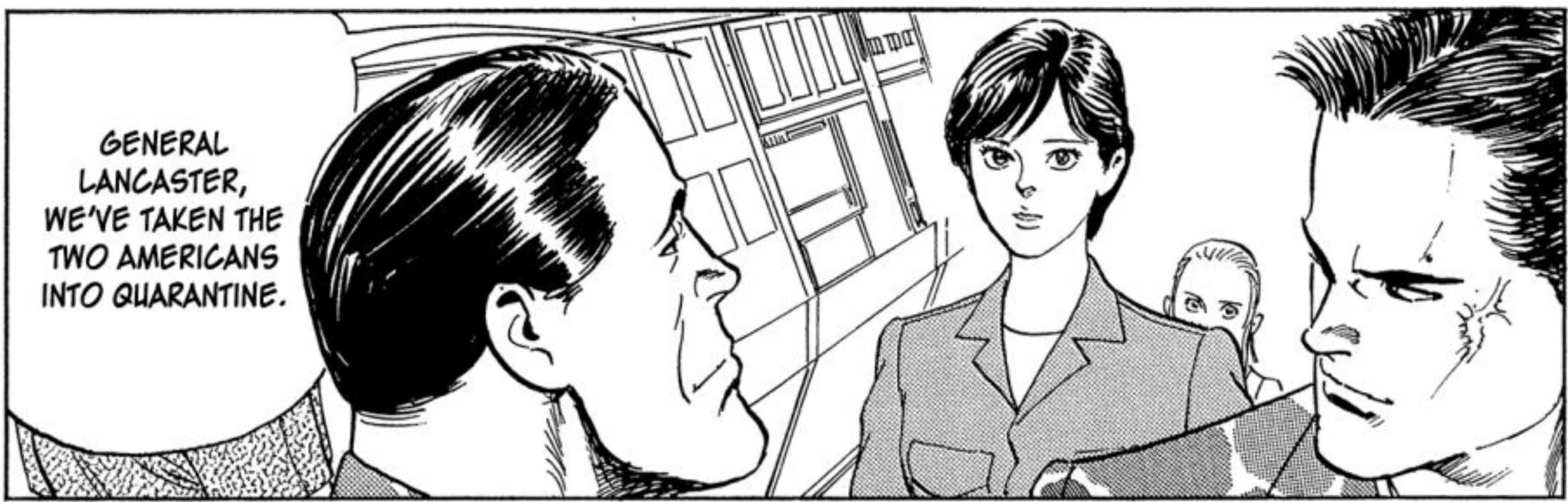


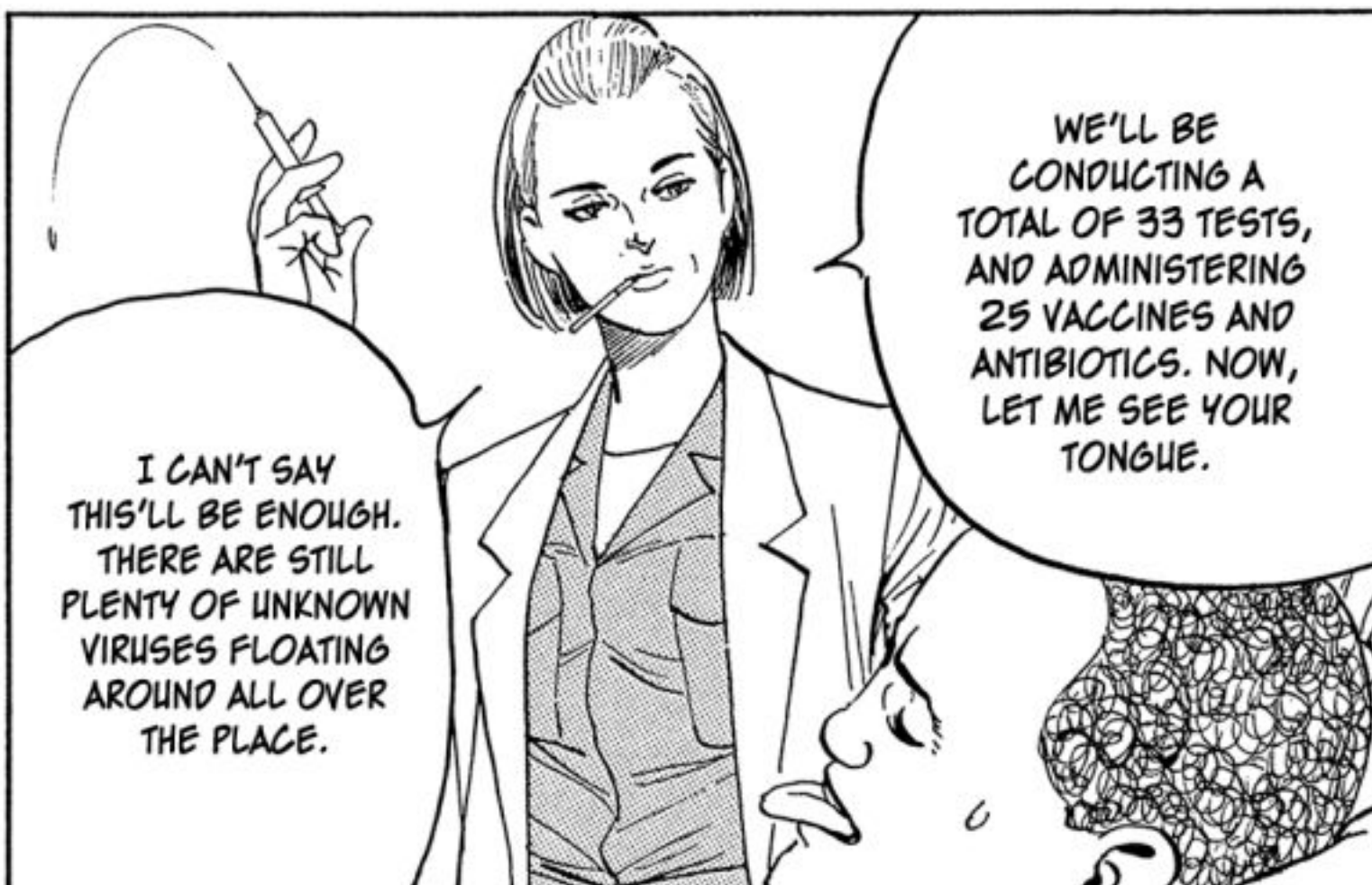
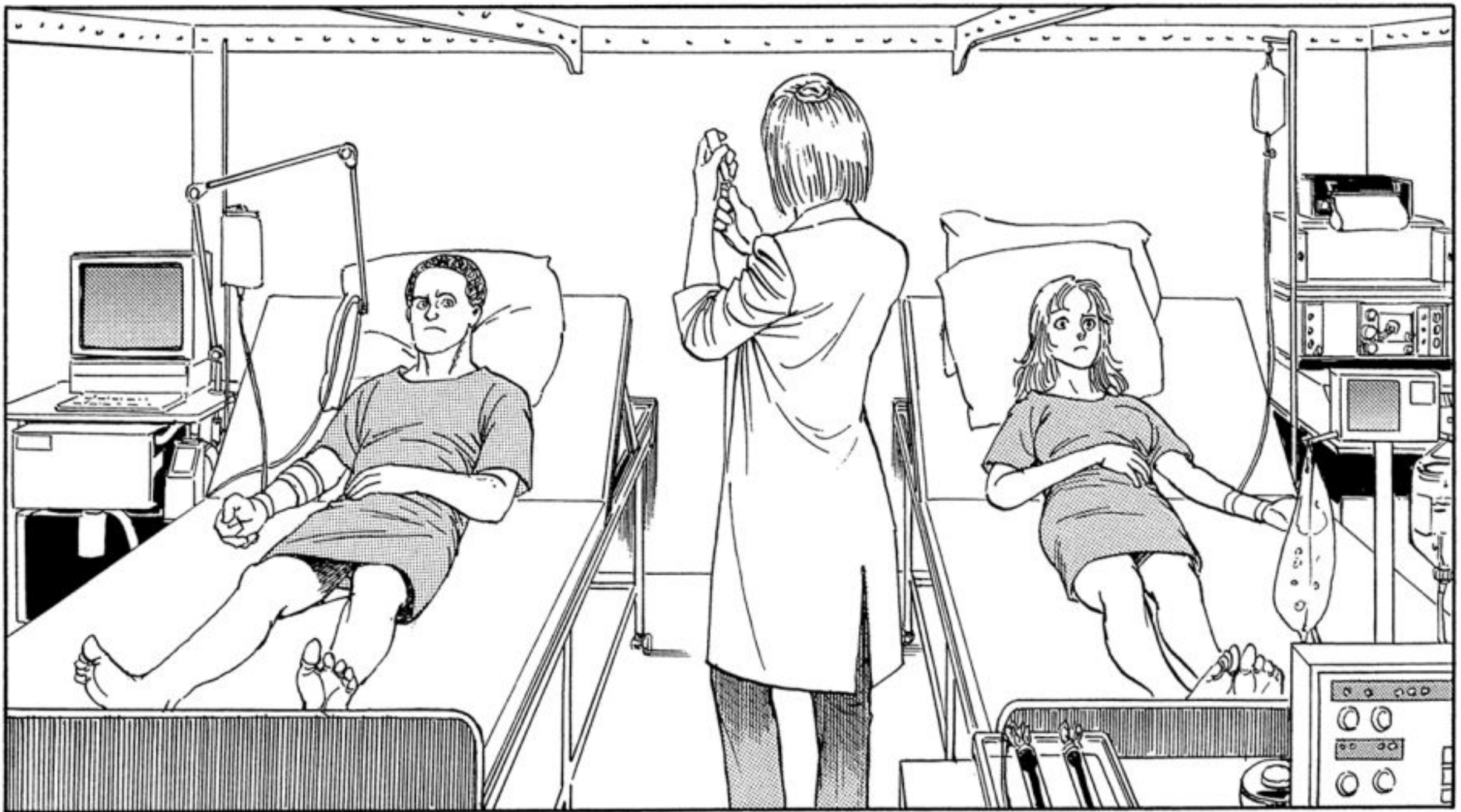












I CAN'T SAY THIS'LL BE ENOUGH. THERE ARE STILL PLENTY OF UNKNOWN VIRUSES FLOATING AROUND ALL OVER THE PLACE.

WE'LL BE CONDUCTING A TOTAL OF 33 TESTS, AND ADMINISTERING 25 VACCINES AND ANTIBIOTICS. NOW, LET ME SEE YOUR TONGUE.



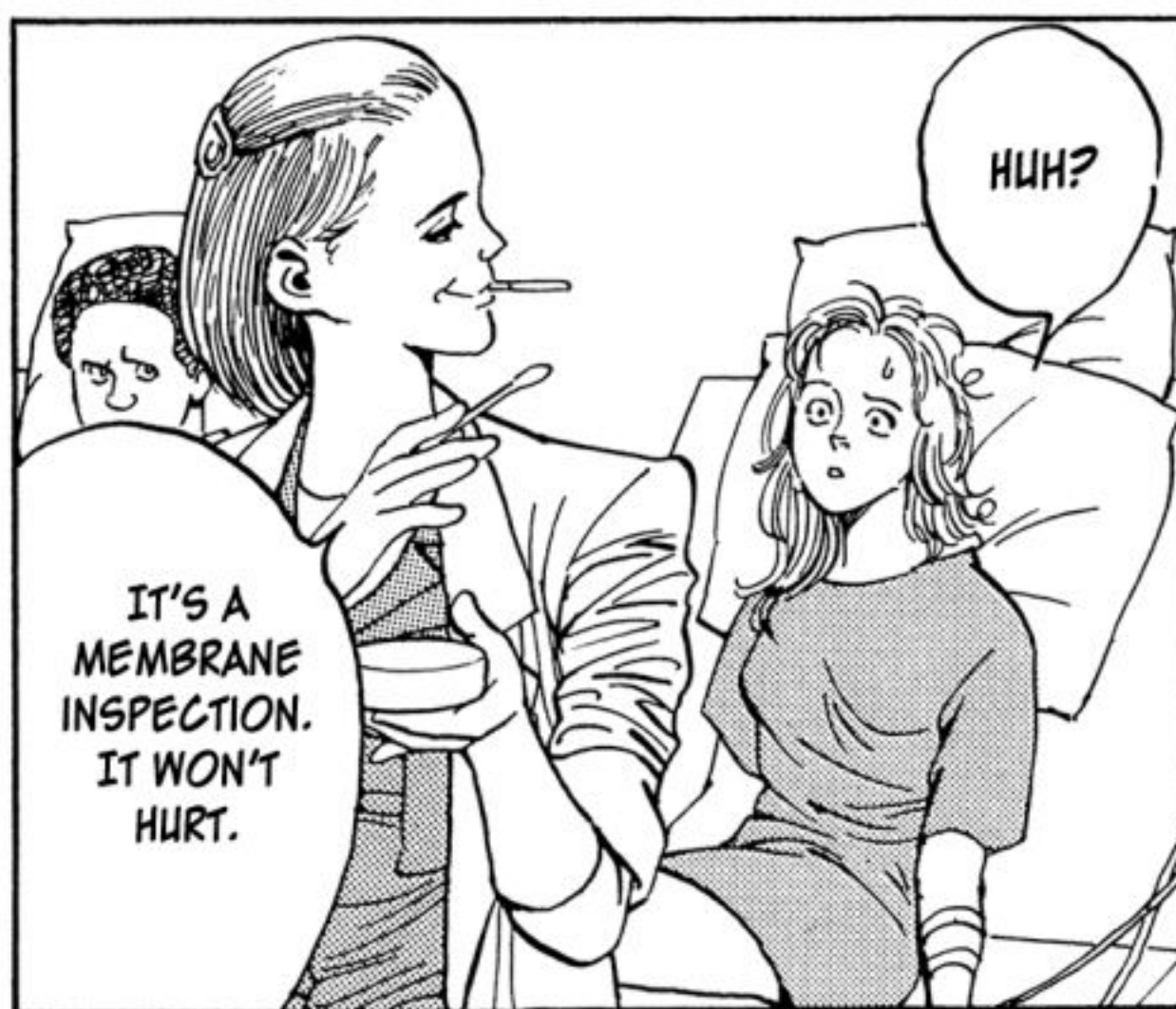
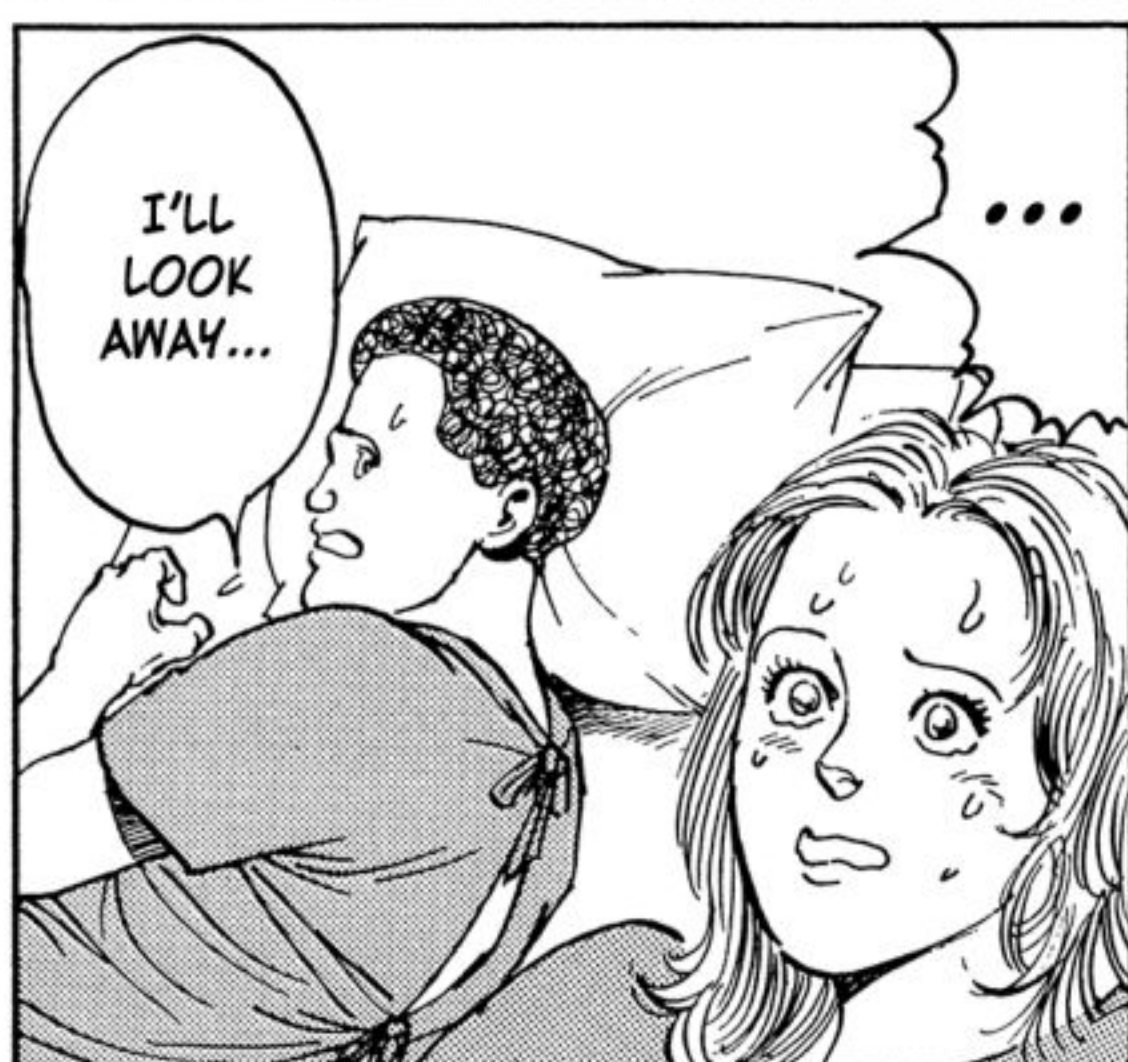
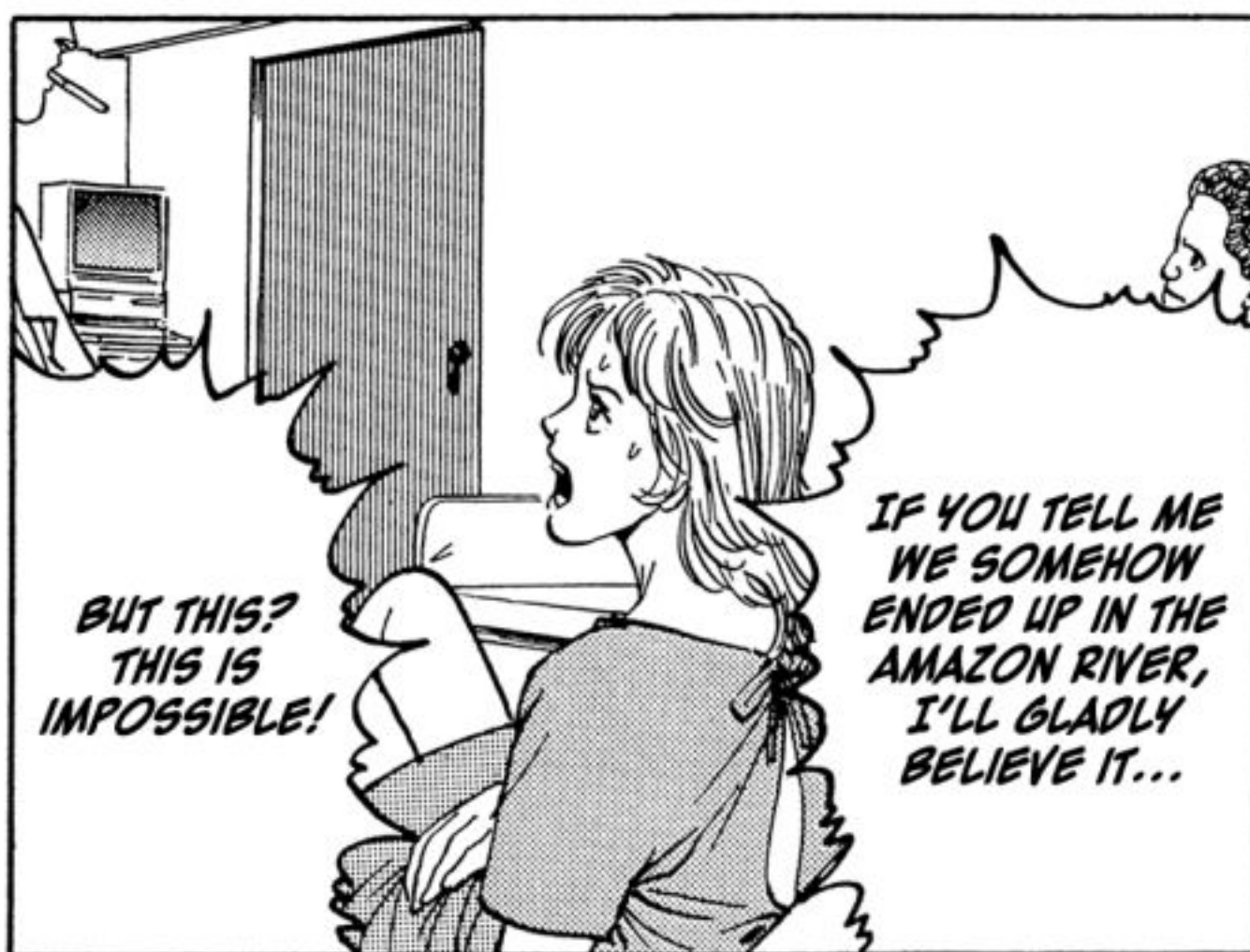
HOW LONG DO WE HAVE TO SIT THROUGH THESE TESTS AND SHOTS!?

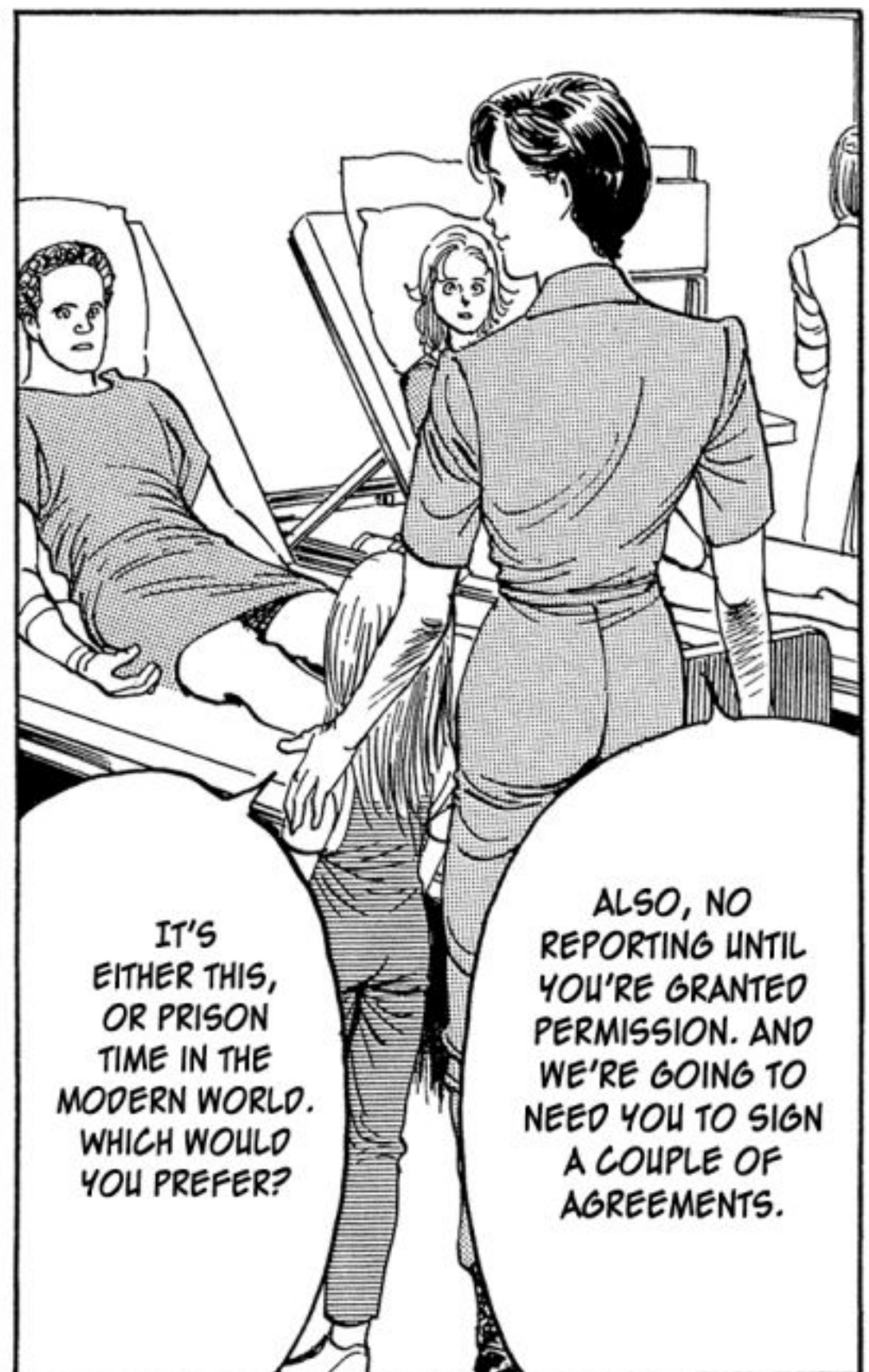
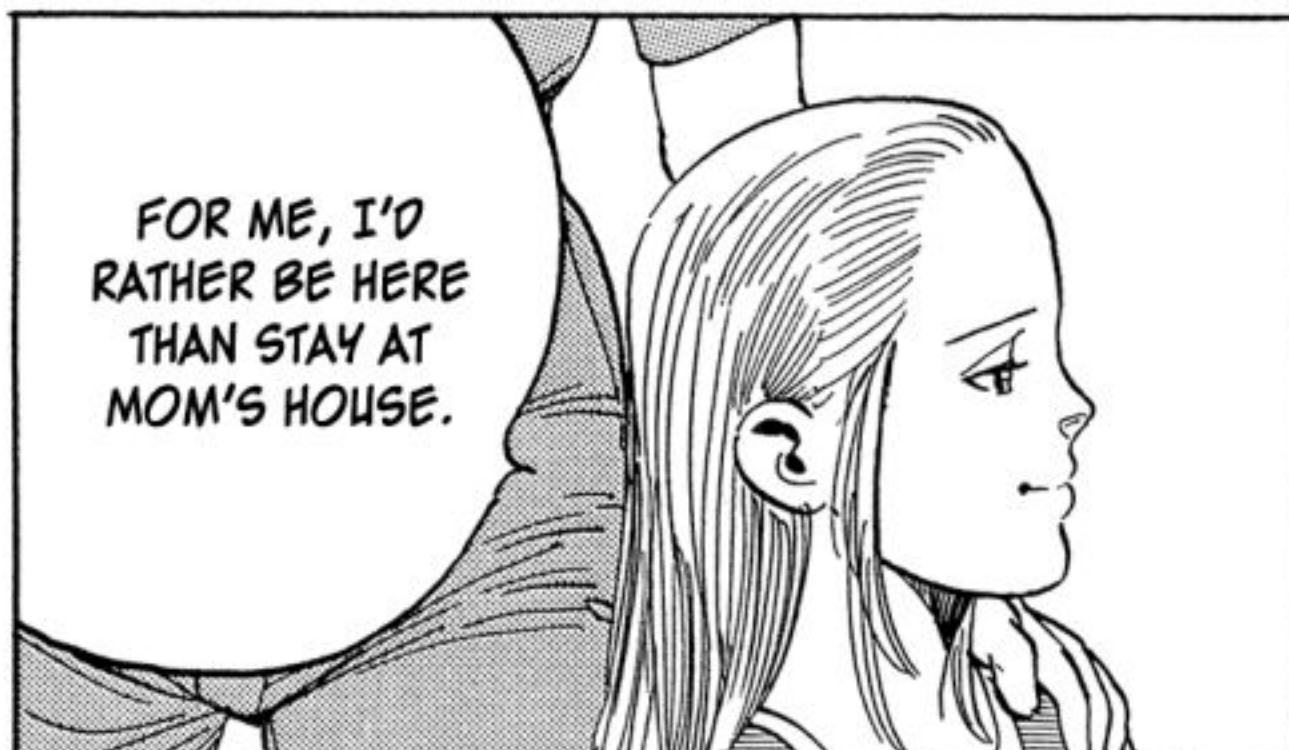
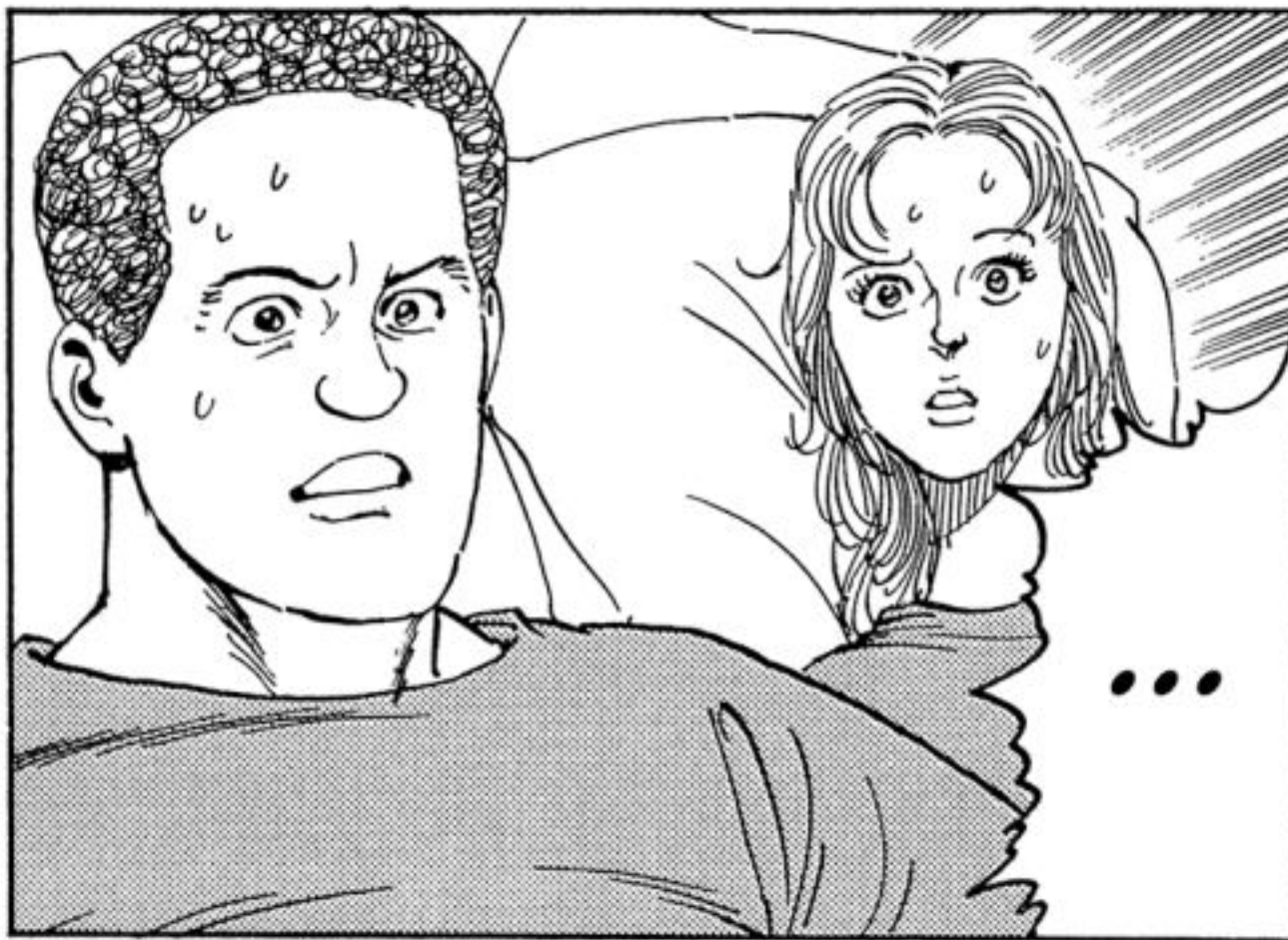
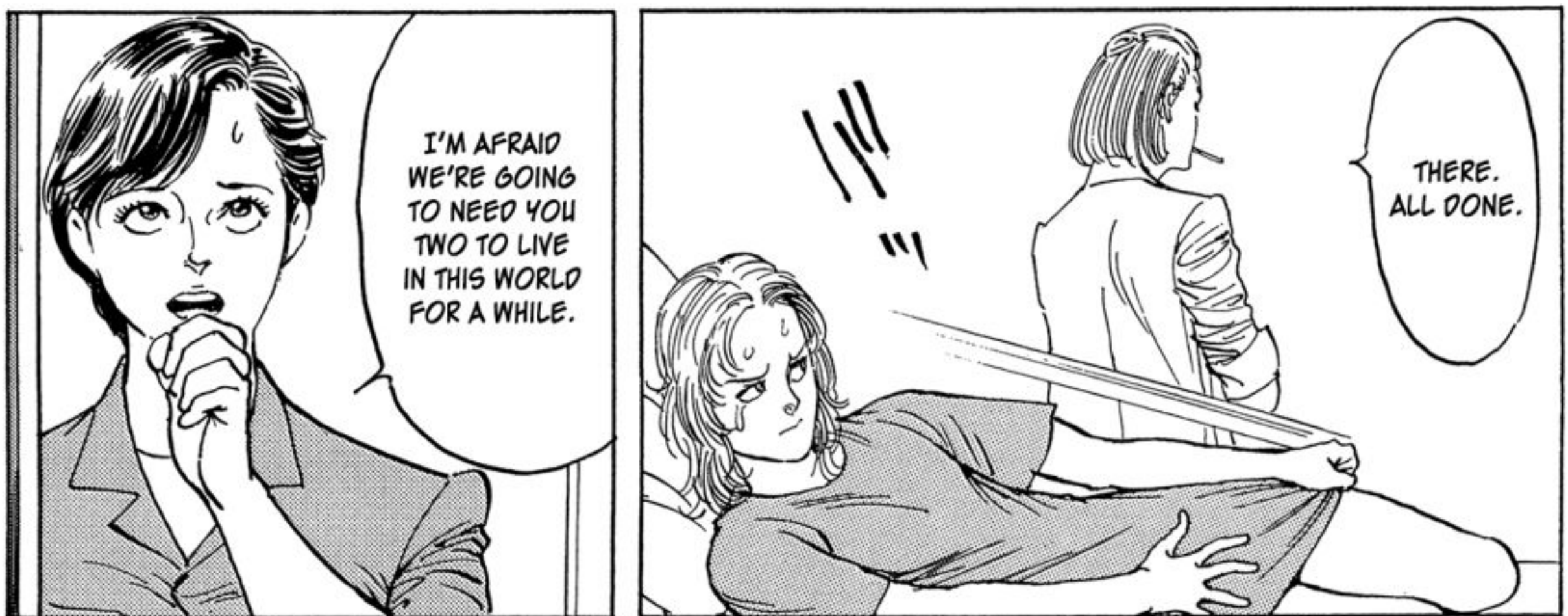
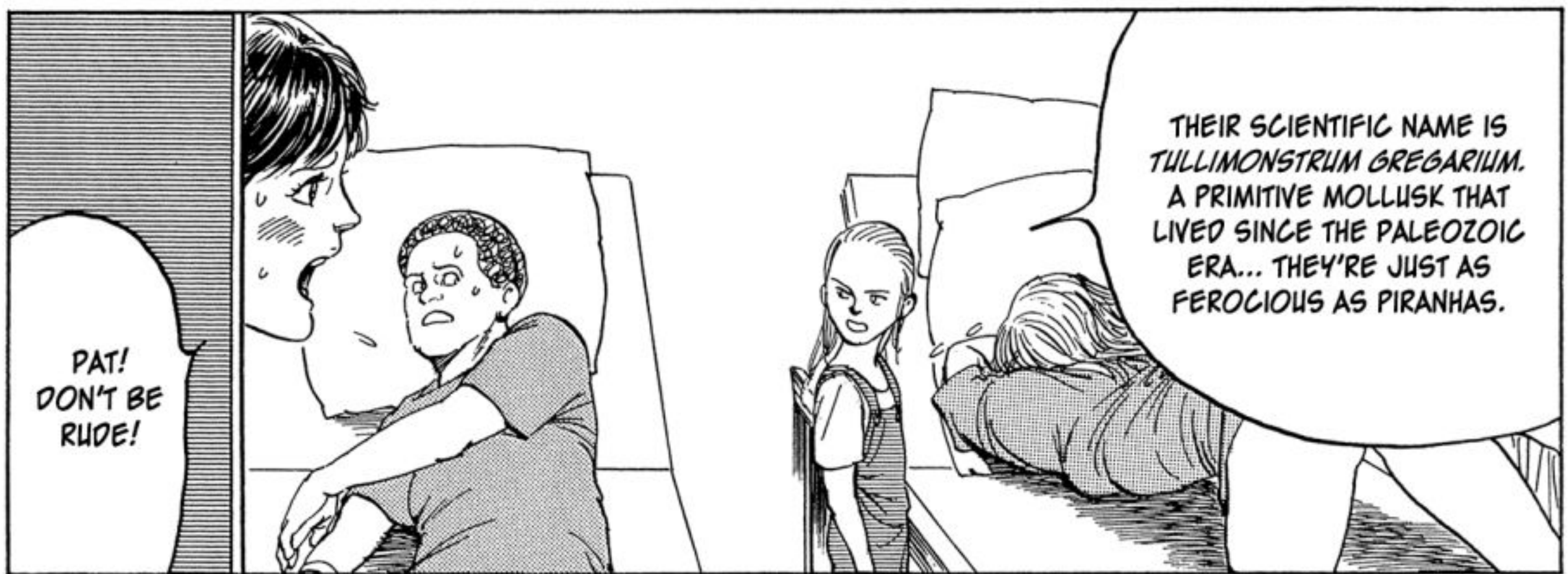


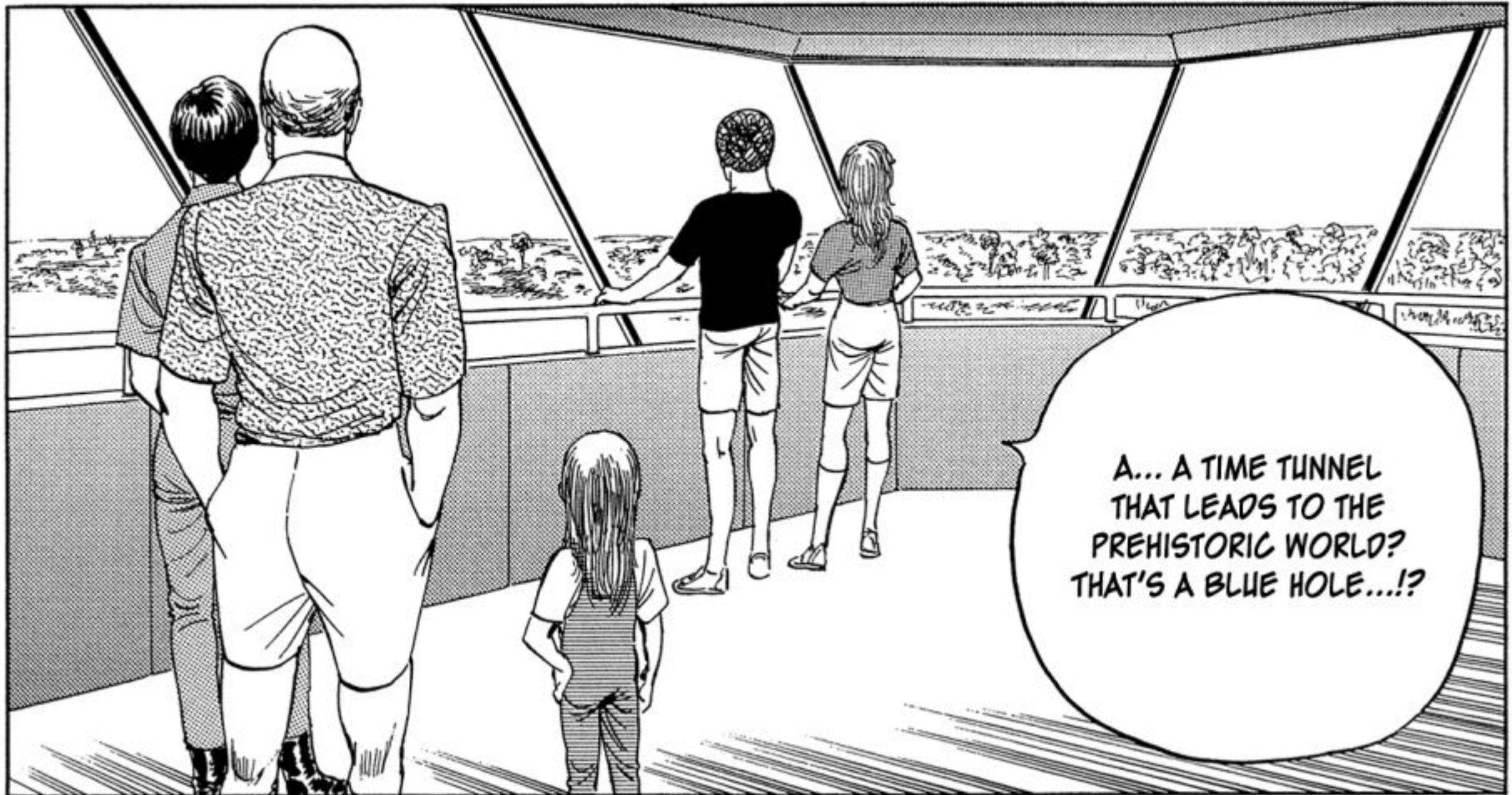
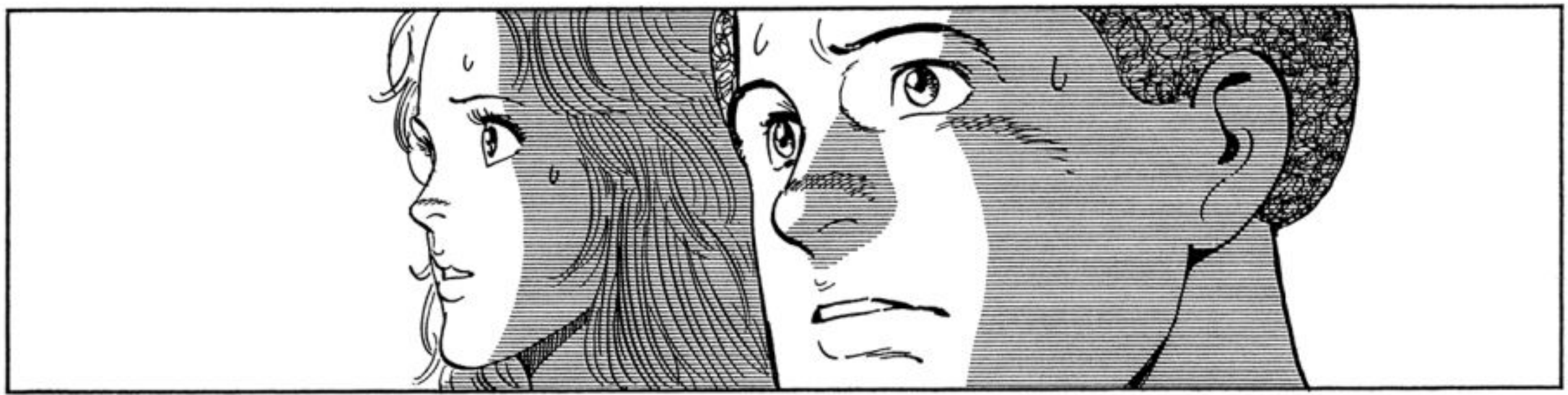
YOU PROBABLY HAVE A HUNCH BY NOW. JUST TRUST THAT.



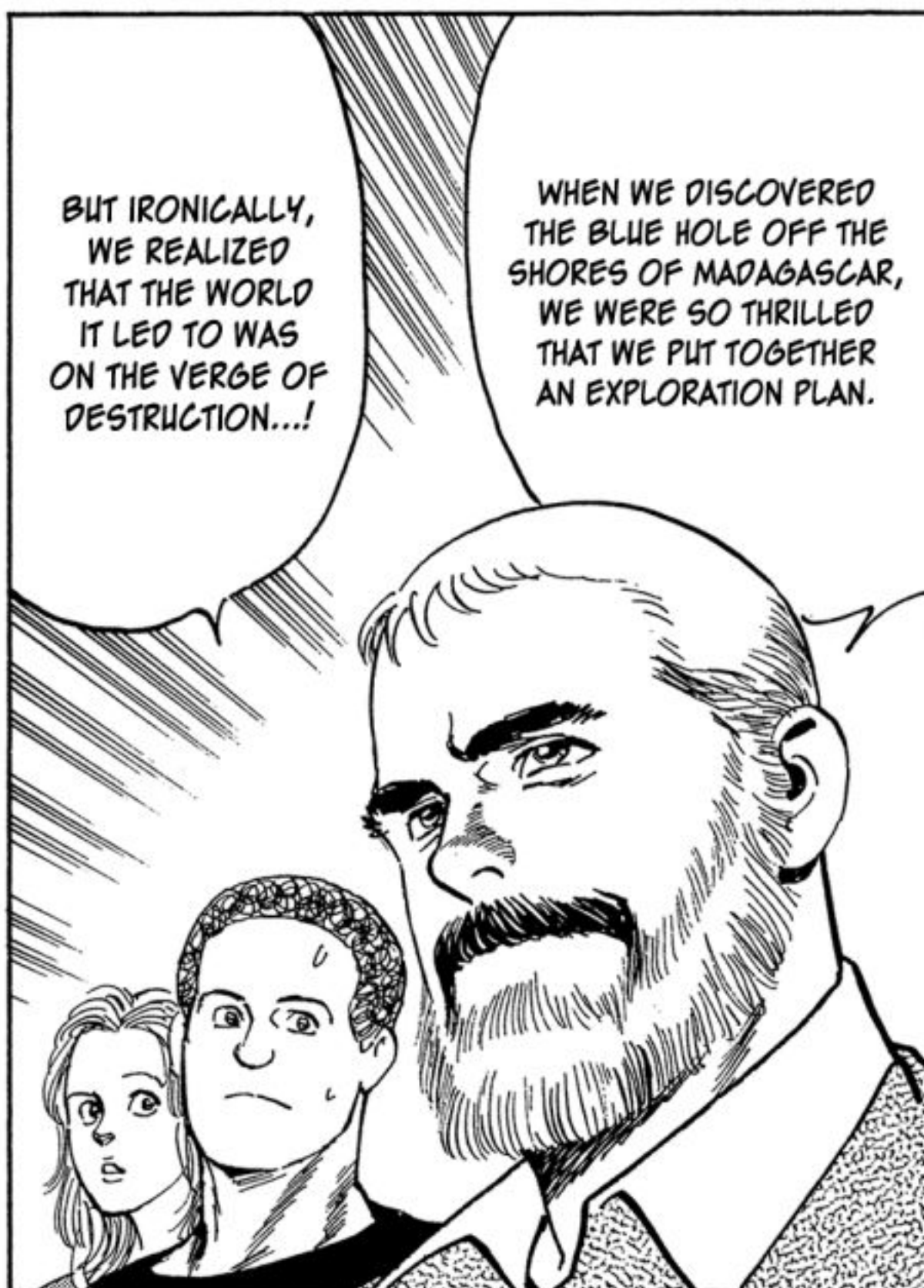
HERR HA HEHH... WHERE THE HELL ARE WE, ANYWAY? TELL ME!





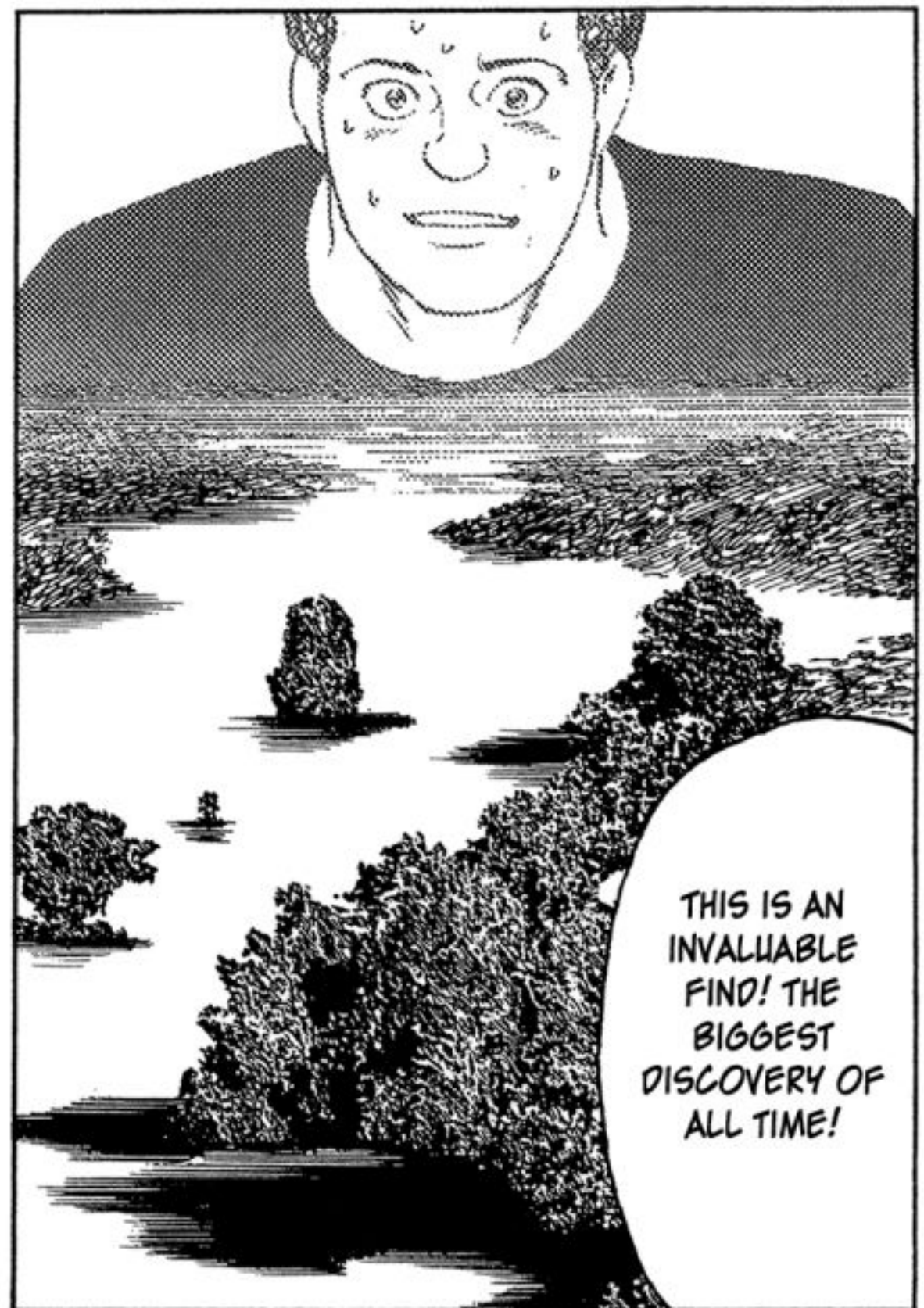


A... A TIME TUNNEL
THAT LEADS TO THE
PREHISTORIC WORLD?
THAT'S A BLUE HOLE...!?



BUT IRONICALLY,
WE REALIZED
THAT THE WORLD
IT LED TO WAS
ON THE VERGE OF
DESTRUCTION...!

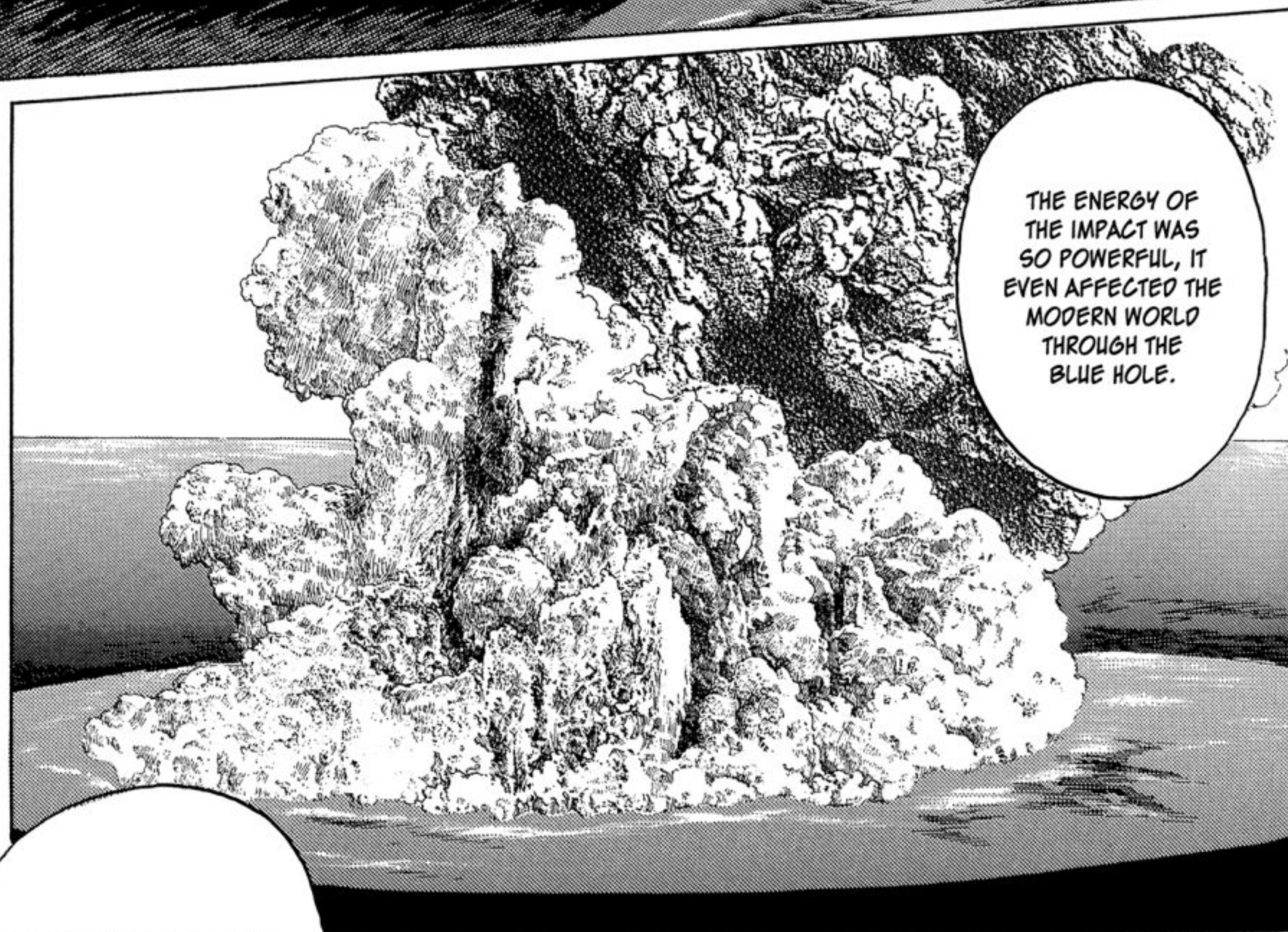
WHEN WE DISCOVERED
THE BLUE HOLE OFF THE
SHORES OF MADAGASCAR,
WE WERE SO THRILLED
THAT WE PUT TOGETHER
AN EXPLORATION PLAN.



THIS IS AN
INVALUABLE
FIND! THE
BIGGEST
DISCOVERY OF
ALL TIME!



65 MILLION YEARS AGO, THE EARTH WAS STRUCK BY A METEOR FROM THE FAR-OFF REACHES OF SPACE, WHICH TRIGGERED THE MASS EXTINCTION OF THE CRETACEOUS PERIOD.



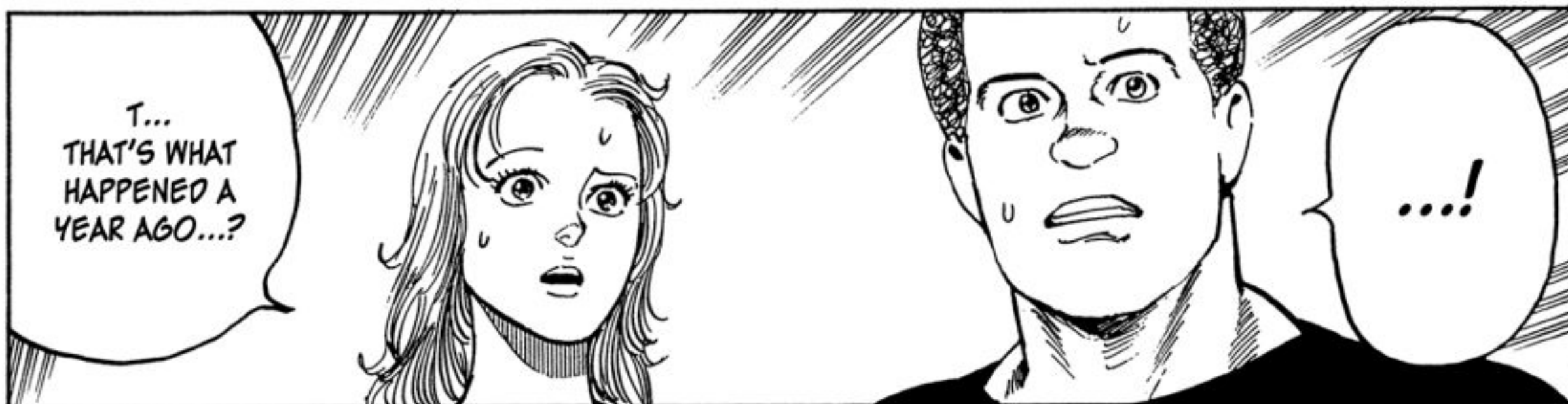
THE ENERGY OF THE IMPACT WAS SO POWERFUL, IT EVEN AFFECTED THE MODERN WORLD THROUGH THE BLUE HOLE.

IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE, THE WORLD WE WANTED TO EXPLORE TURNED INTO A WORLD OF DEATH AND DESTRUCTION!



AND THE BLUE HOLE OFF THE COAST OF MADAGASCAR WAS LINKED TO THAT VERY POINT IN TIME!





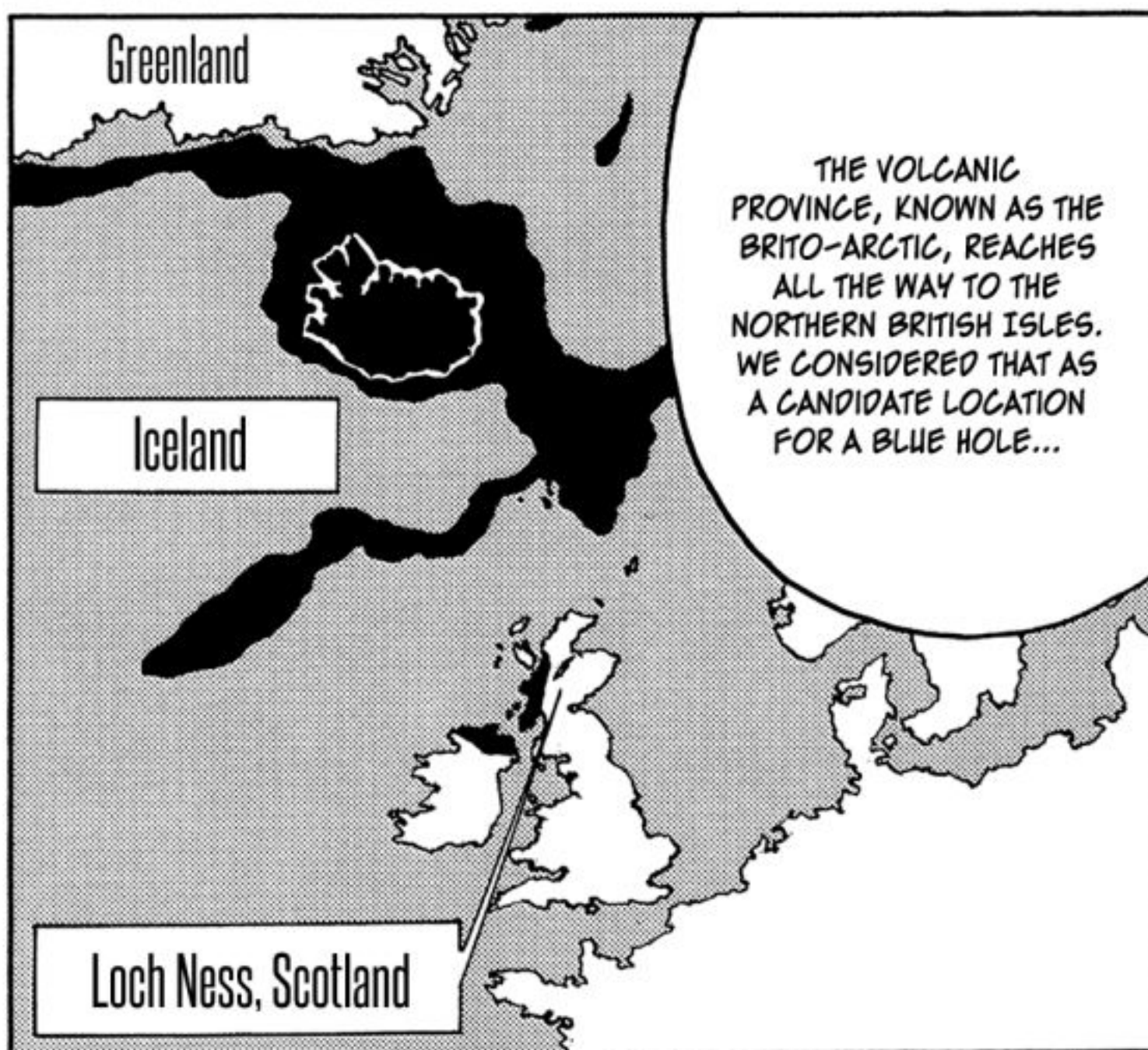
T...
THAT'S WHAT
HAPPENED A
YEAR AGO...?

...!

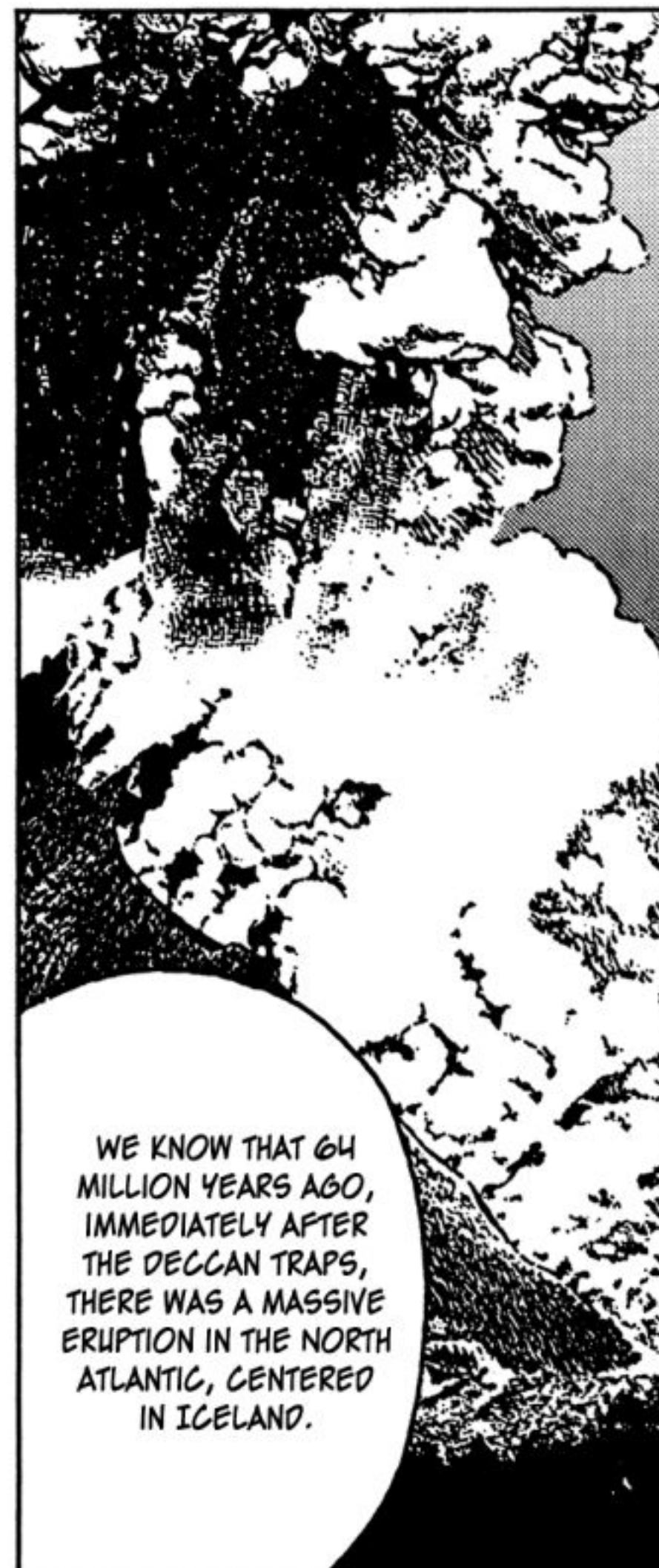


NATURALLY.
YOU DON'T HAVE
TO BE A SCHOLAR
TO BE FASCINATED
BY THE BLUE HOLE.

BUT THAT
WASN'T ALL, WAS
IT? YOU STARTED
LOOKING FOR A
NEW BLUE HOLE,
DIDN'T YOU,
PROFESSOR
CAMELOT?



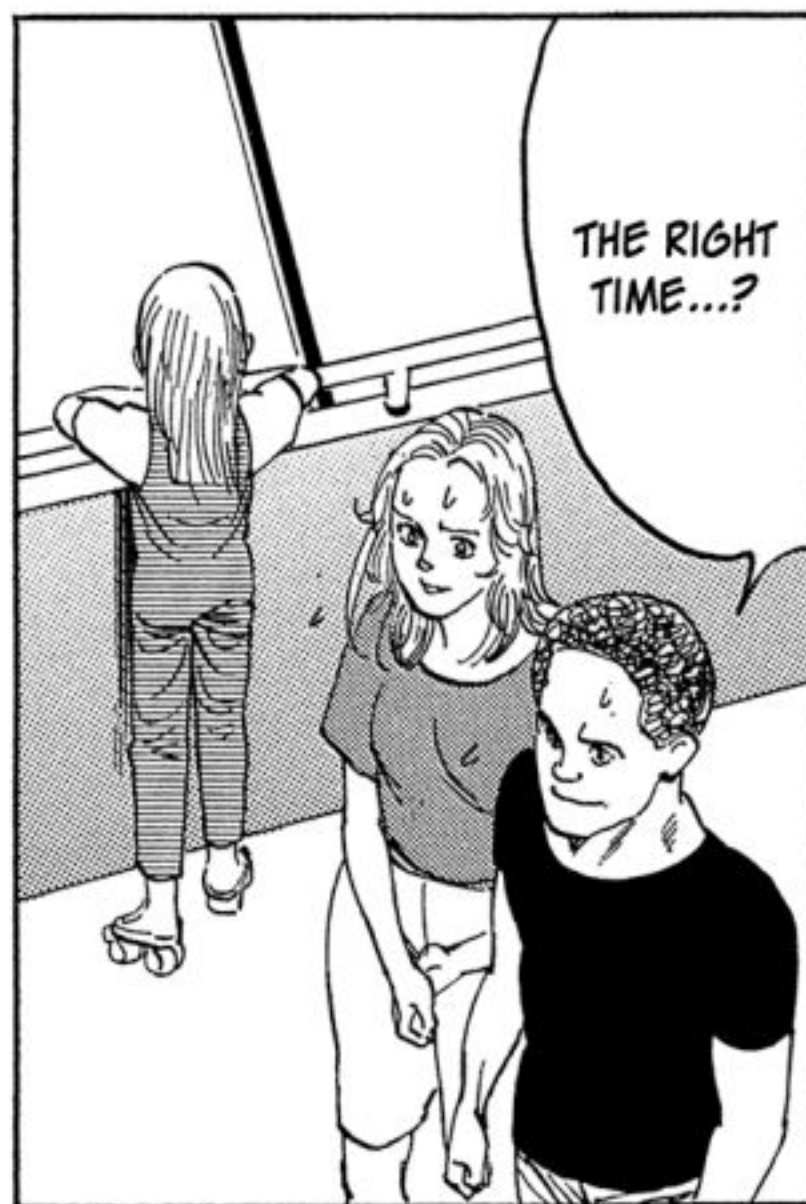
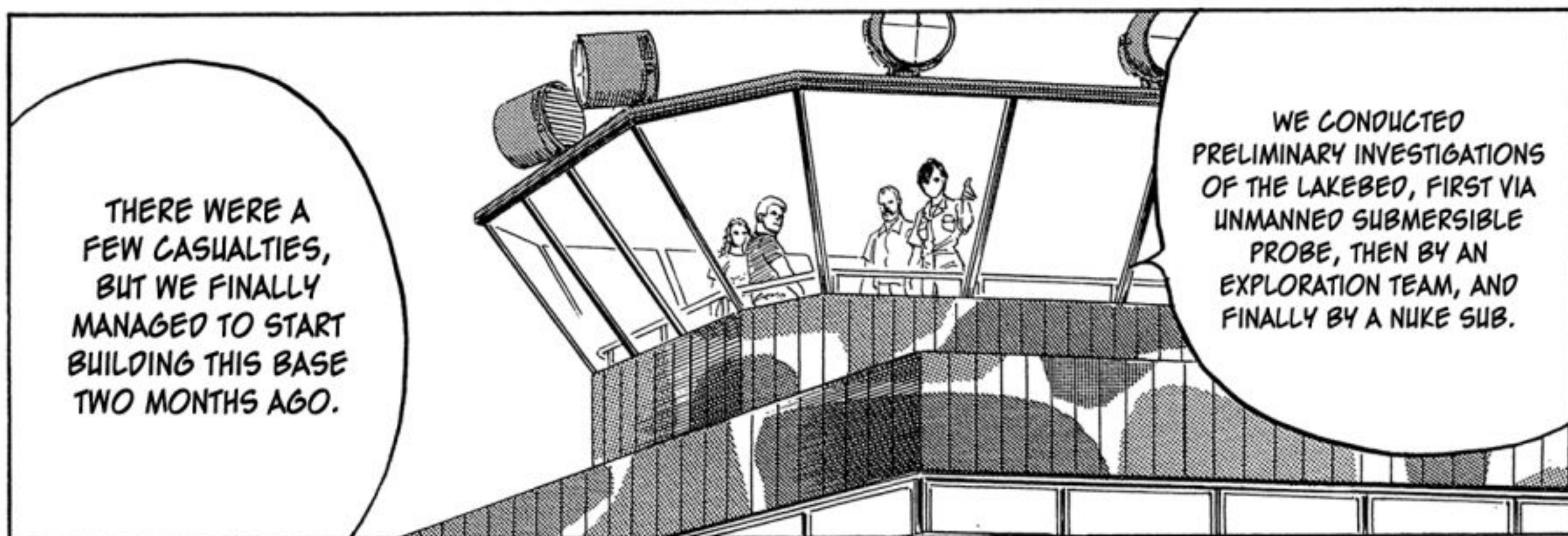
THE VOLCANIC
PROVINCE, KNOWN AS THE
BRITO-ARCTIC, REACHES
ALL THE WAY TO THE
NORTHERN BRITISH ISLES.
WE CONSIDERED THAT AS
A CANDIDATE LOCATION
FOR A BLUE HOLE...



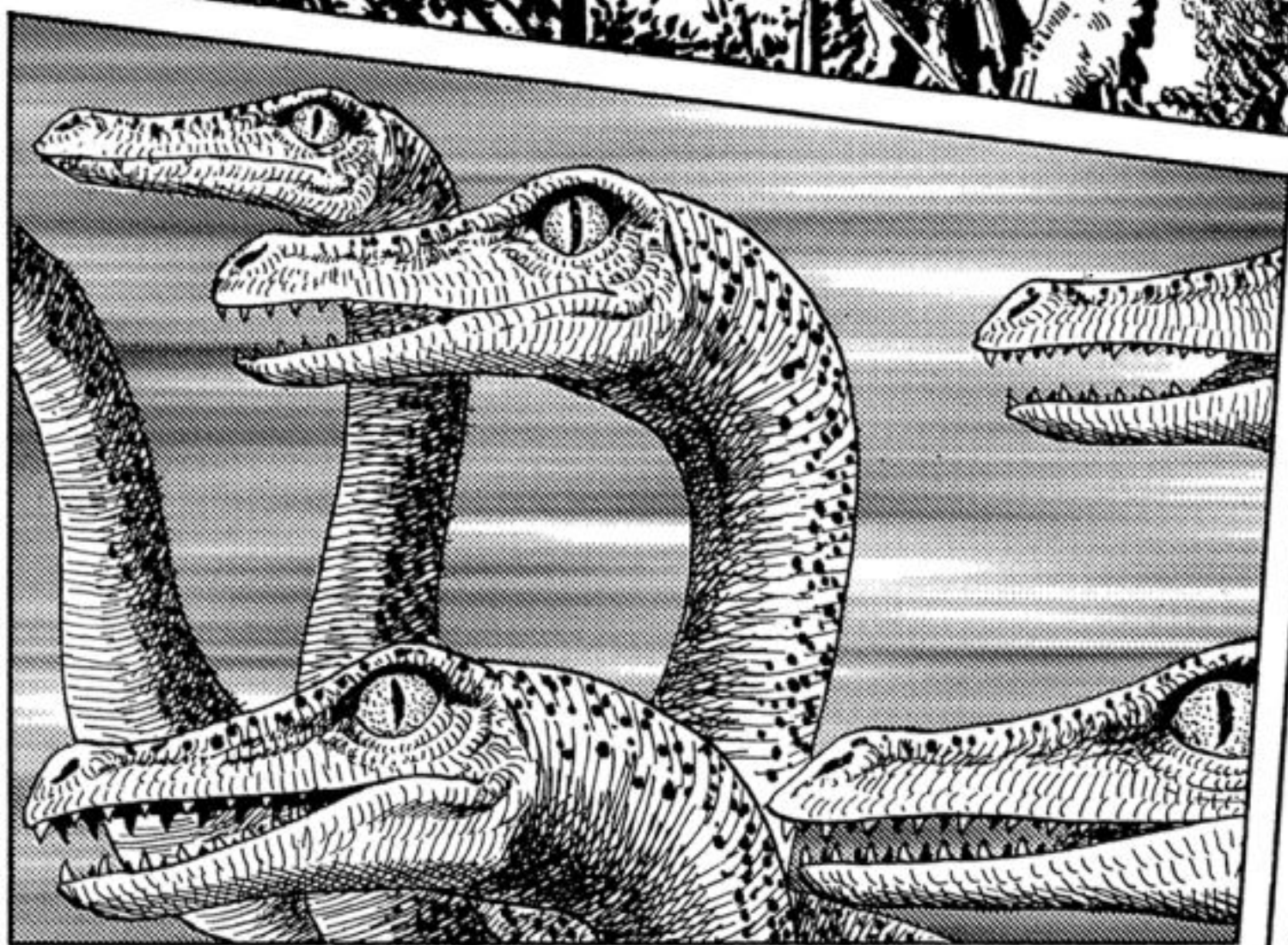
WE KNOW THAT 64
MILLION YEARS AGO,
IMMEDIATELY AFTER
THE DECCAN TRAPS,
THERE WAS A MASSIVE
ERUPTION IN THE NORTH
ATLANTIC, CENTERED
IN ICELAND.

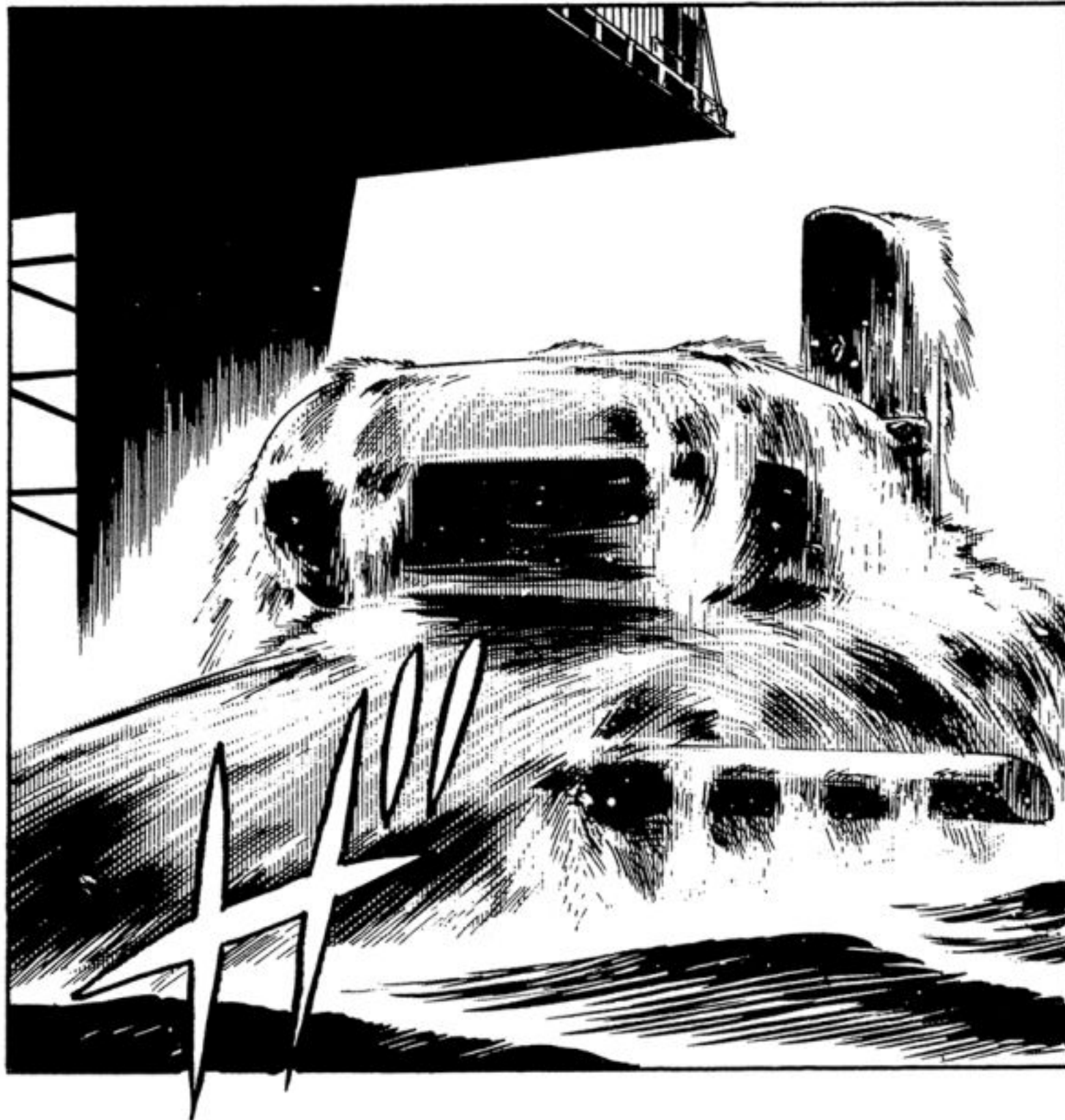
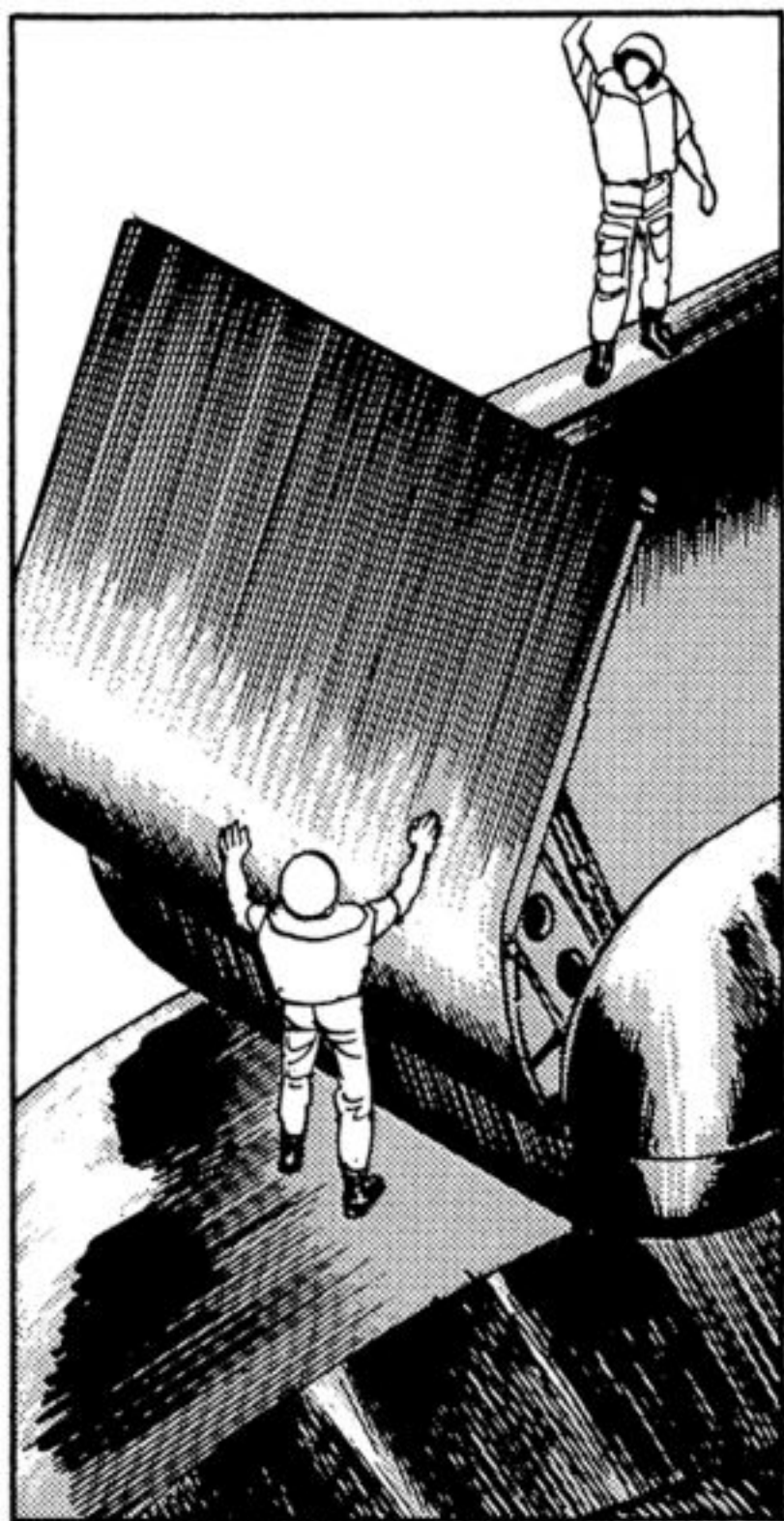


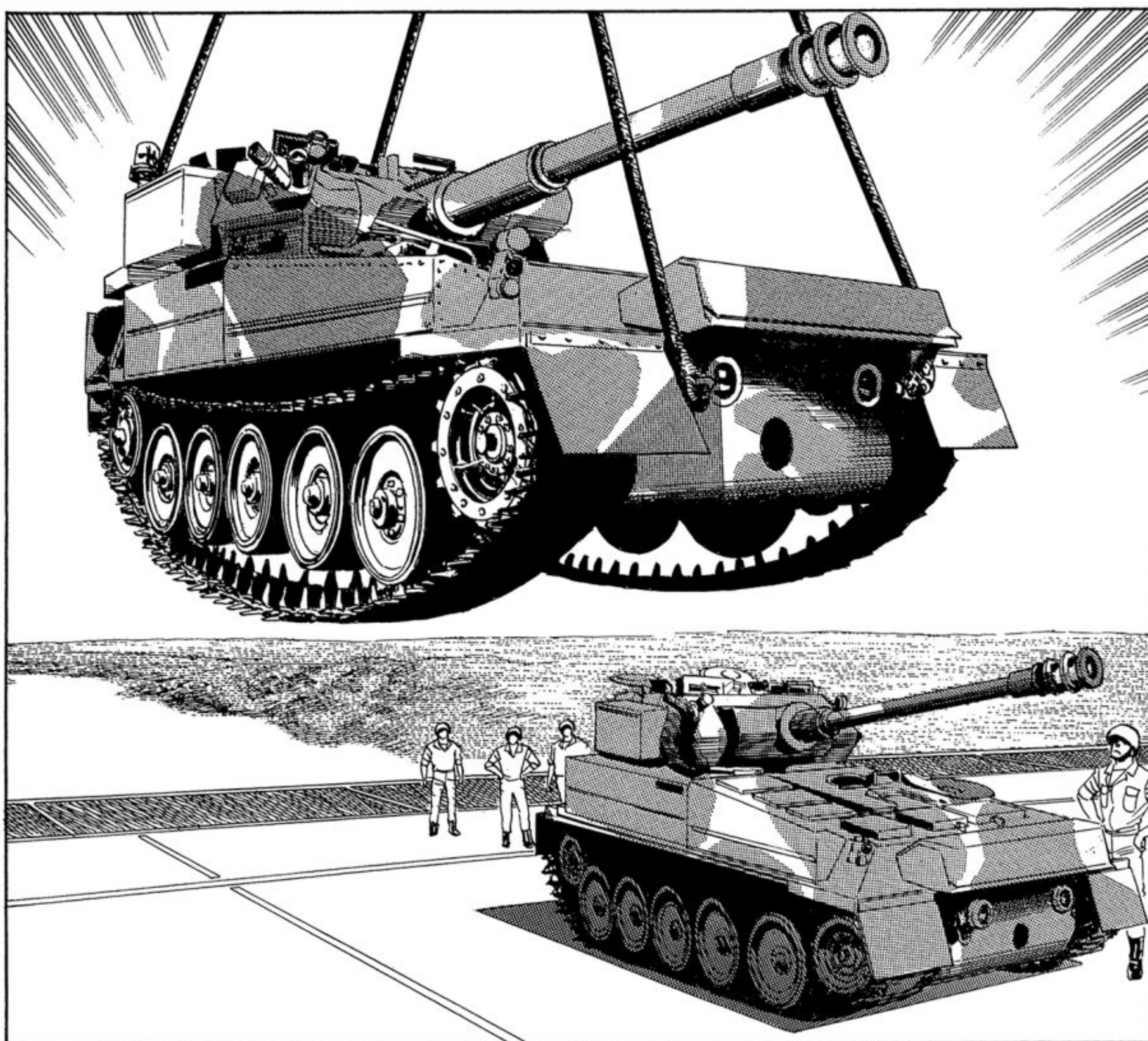
AND IT WAS FAR
EASIER TO SEARCH
A LAKE FOR A BLUE
HOLE THAN THE
VAST OCEAN!





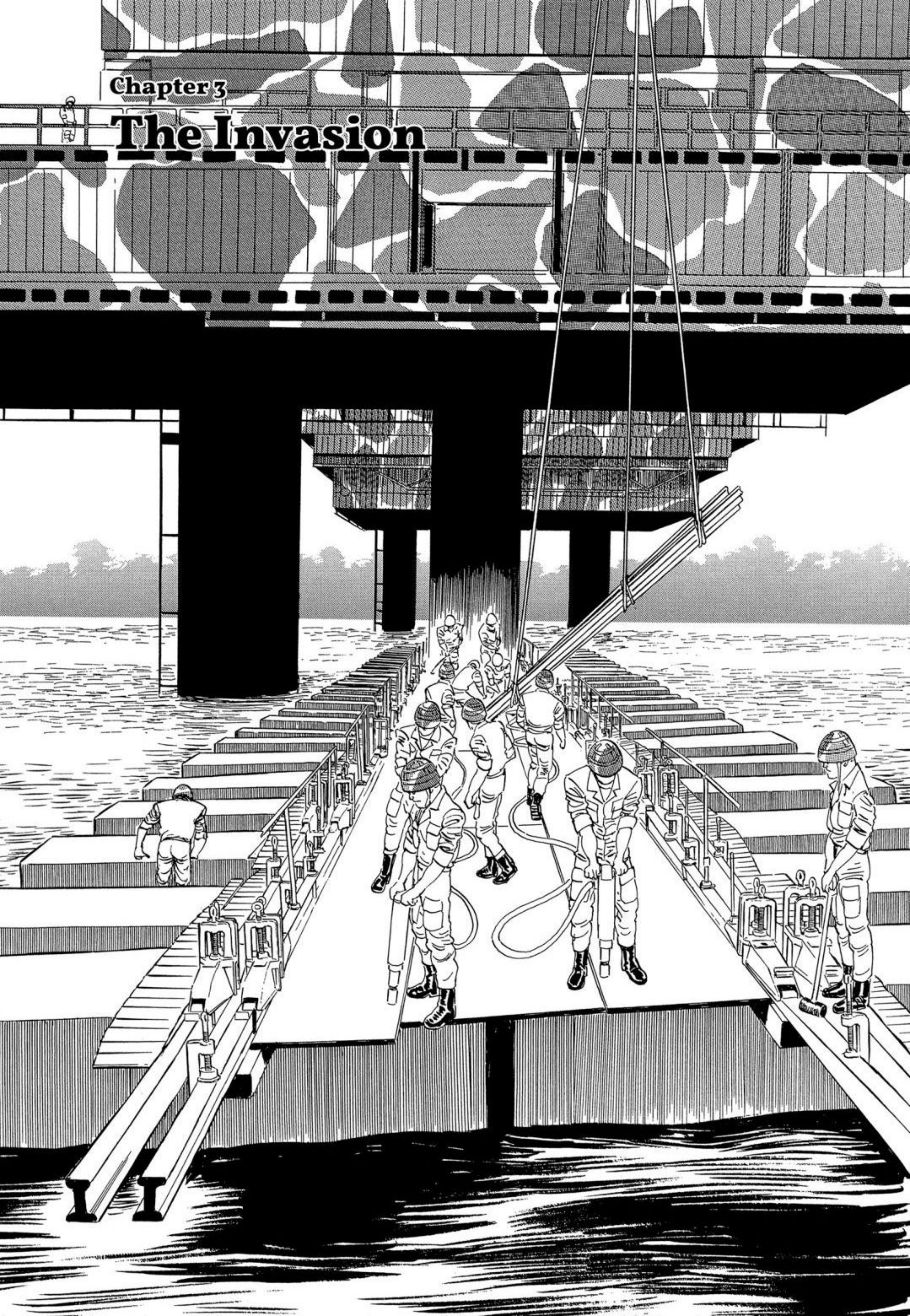


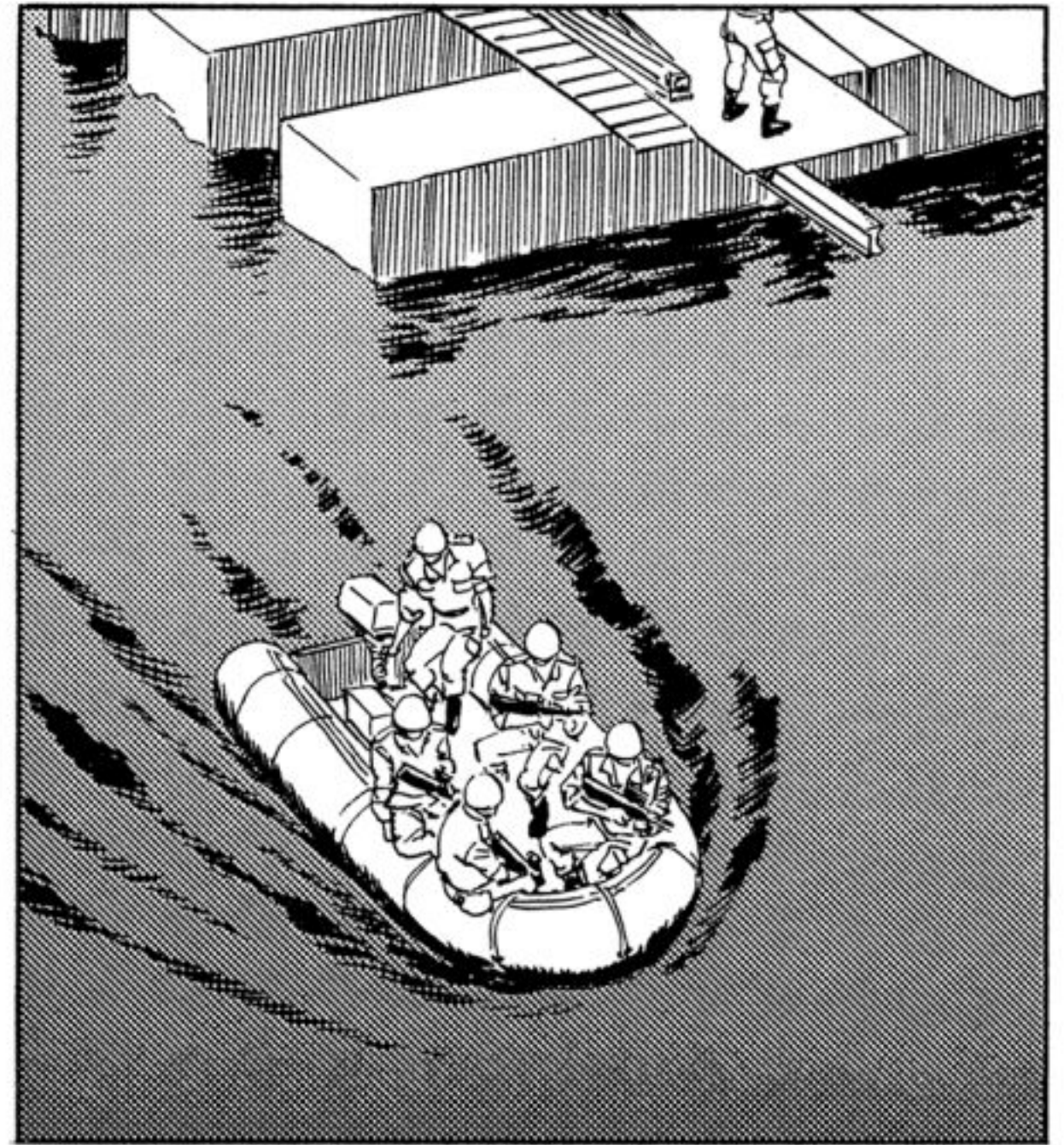
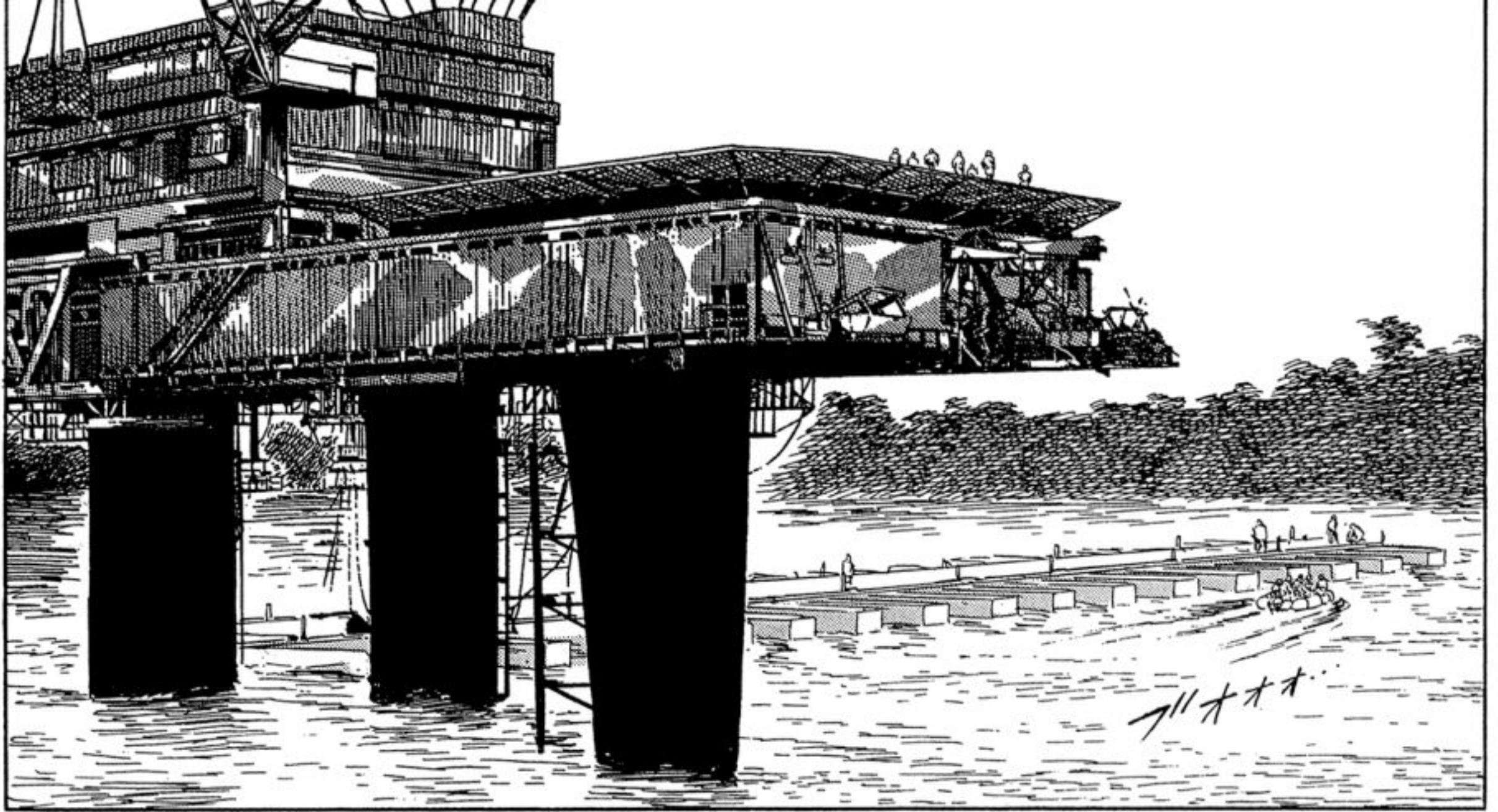




Chapter 3

The Invasion





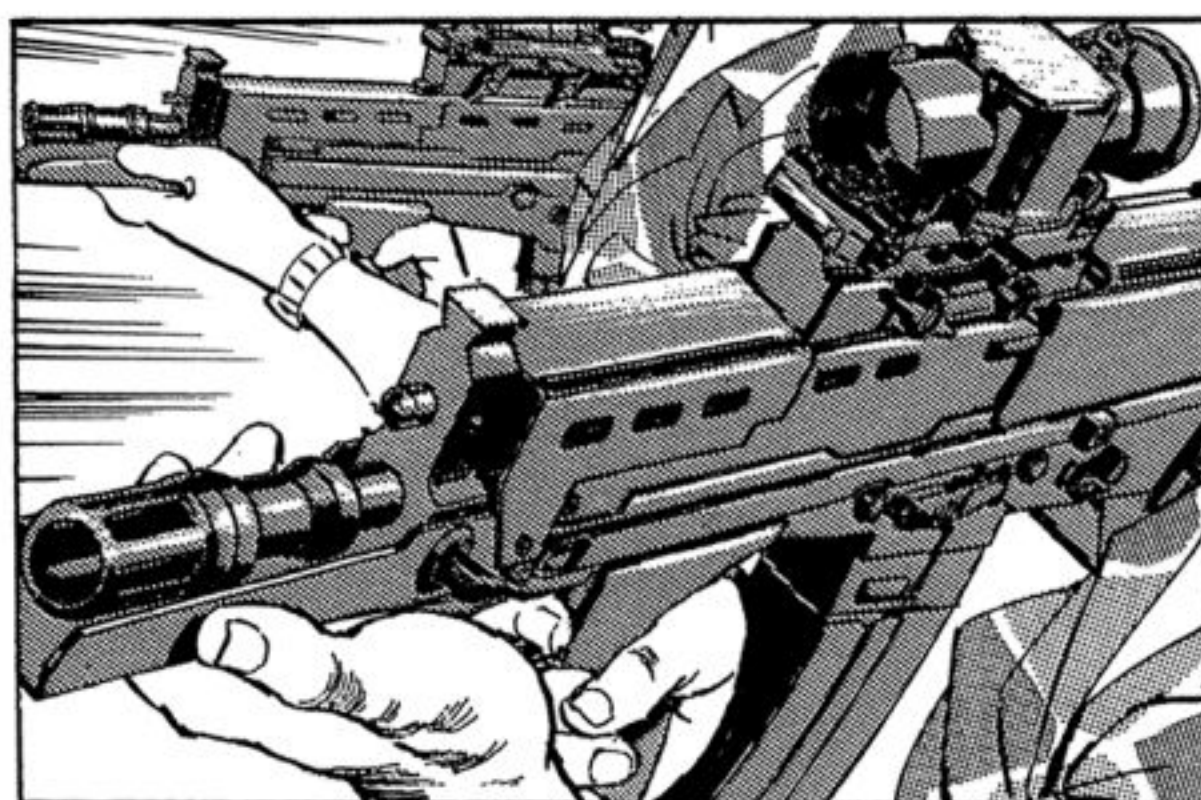


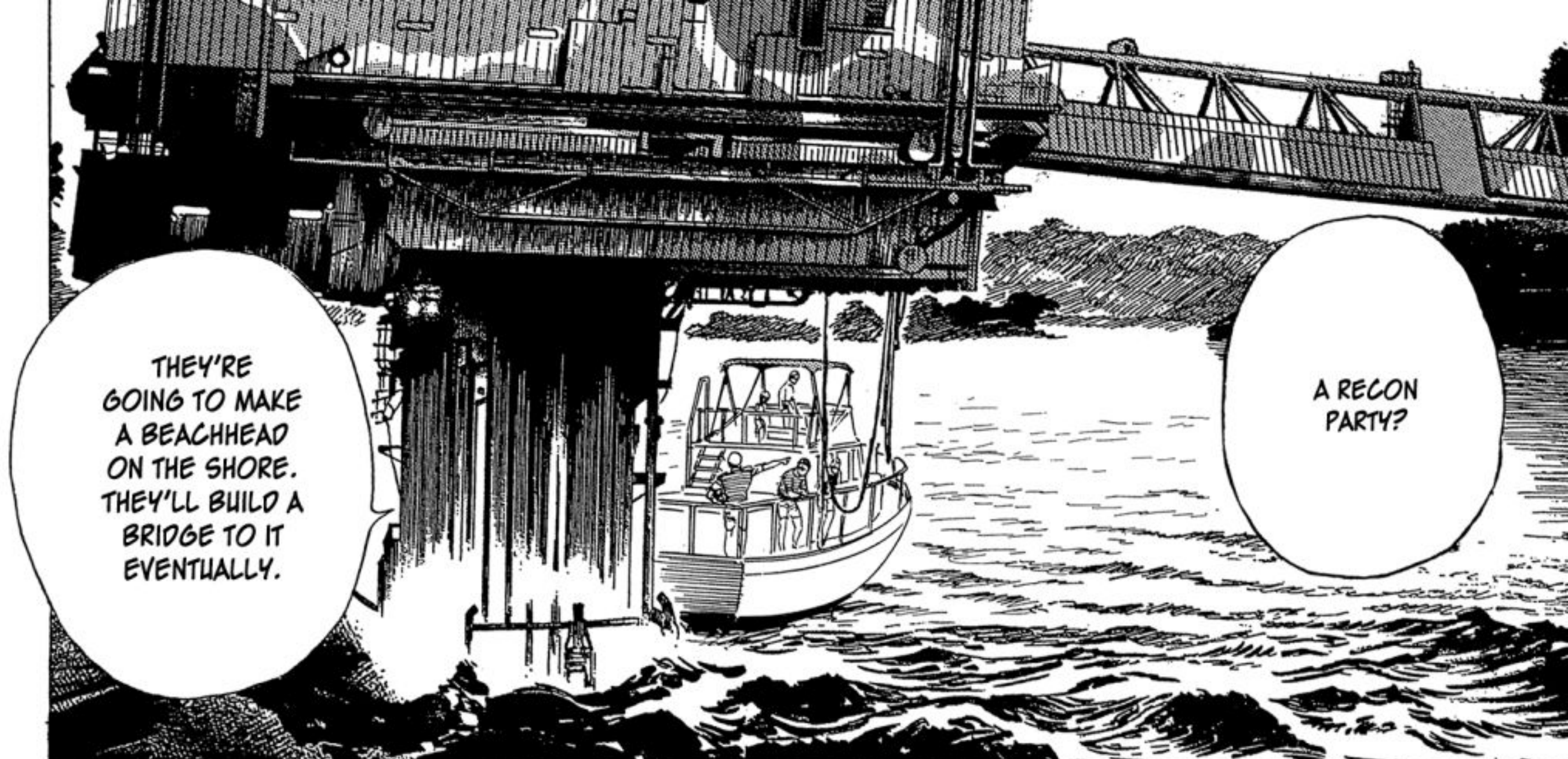
ROGER THAT.
THERE COULD
BE ANY KIND
OF MONSTER
OUT THERE.
STAY ON YOUR
TOES.

WE'VE REACHED
THE RIVERBANK.
LANDING NOW.



THANKS
FOR THE
WARNING.
OVER.





THEY'RE GOING TO MAKE A BEACHHEAD ON THE SHORE. THEY'LL BUILD A BRIDGE TO IT EVENTUALLY.

A RECON PARTY?



OUR LOCATION...? YOU MEAN WE'RE NOT IN SCOTLAND?

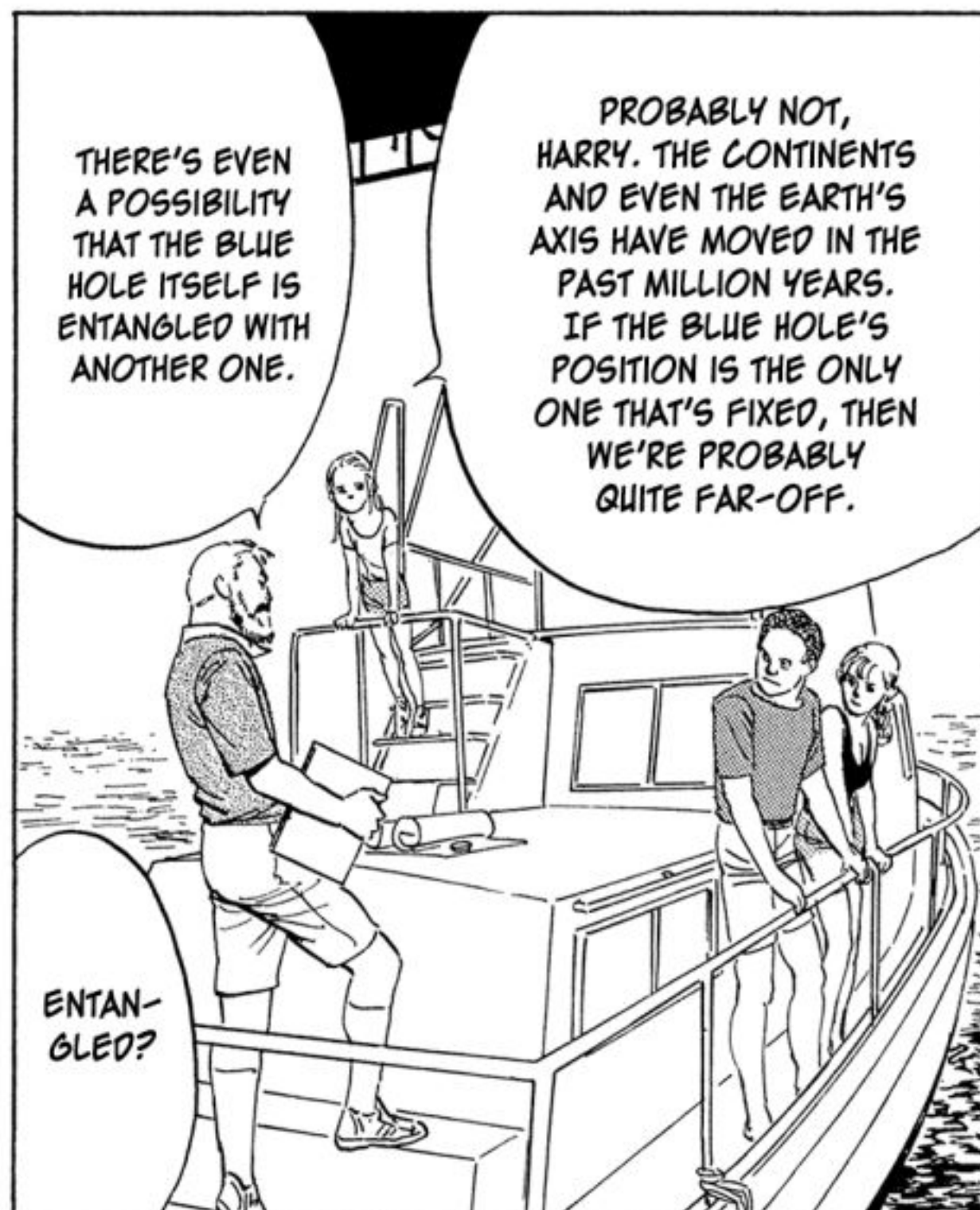


I TOLD THEM WE SHOULD WAIT TO MAKE OUR LANDING UNTIL WE'VE CONFIRMED OUR LOCATION, BUT I GUESS THE GENERAL IGNORED MY ADVICE...



SORRY ABOUT THE WAIT. SHALL WE GO?

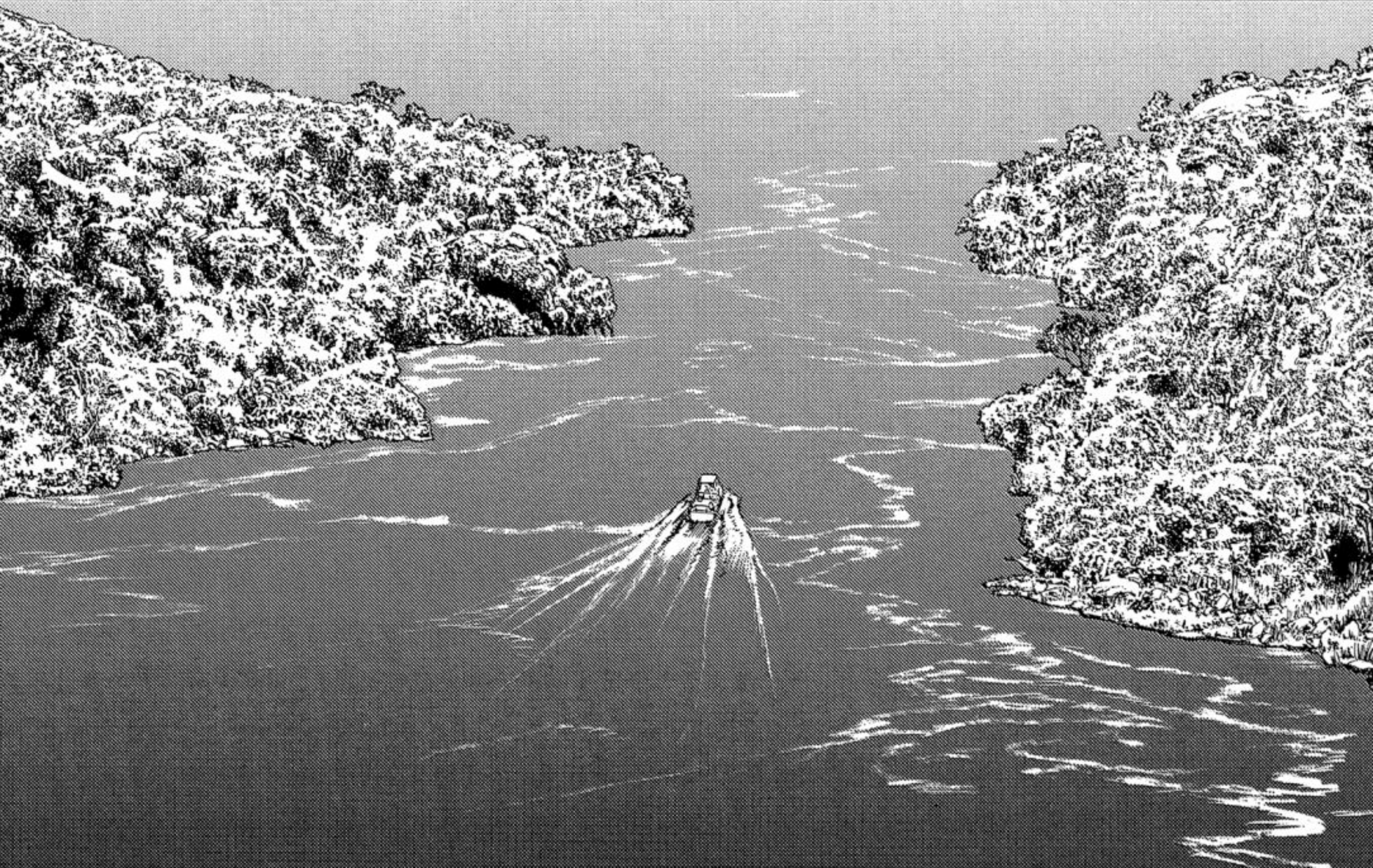
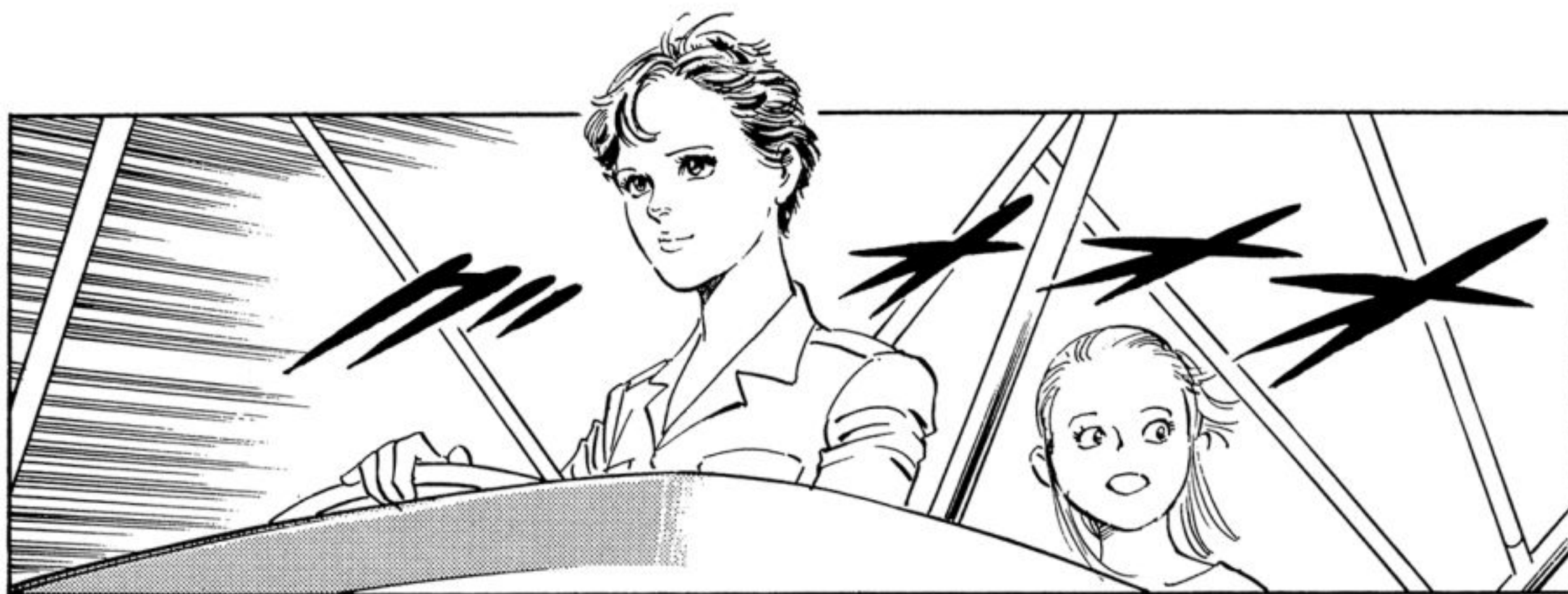
THIS IS JIM BACKLUND, PALEO-BIOLOGIST. WE'LL HAVE TO PICK THIS UP LATER.

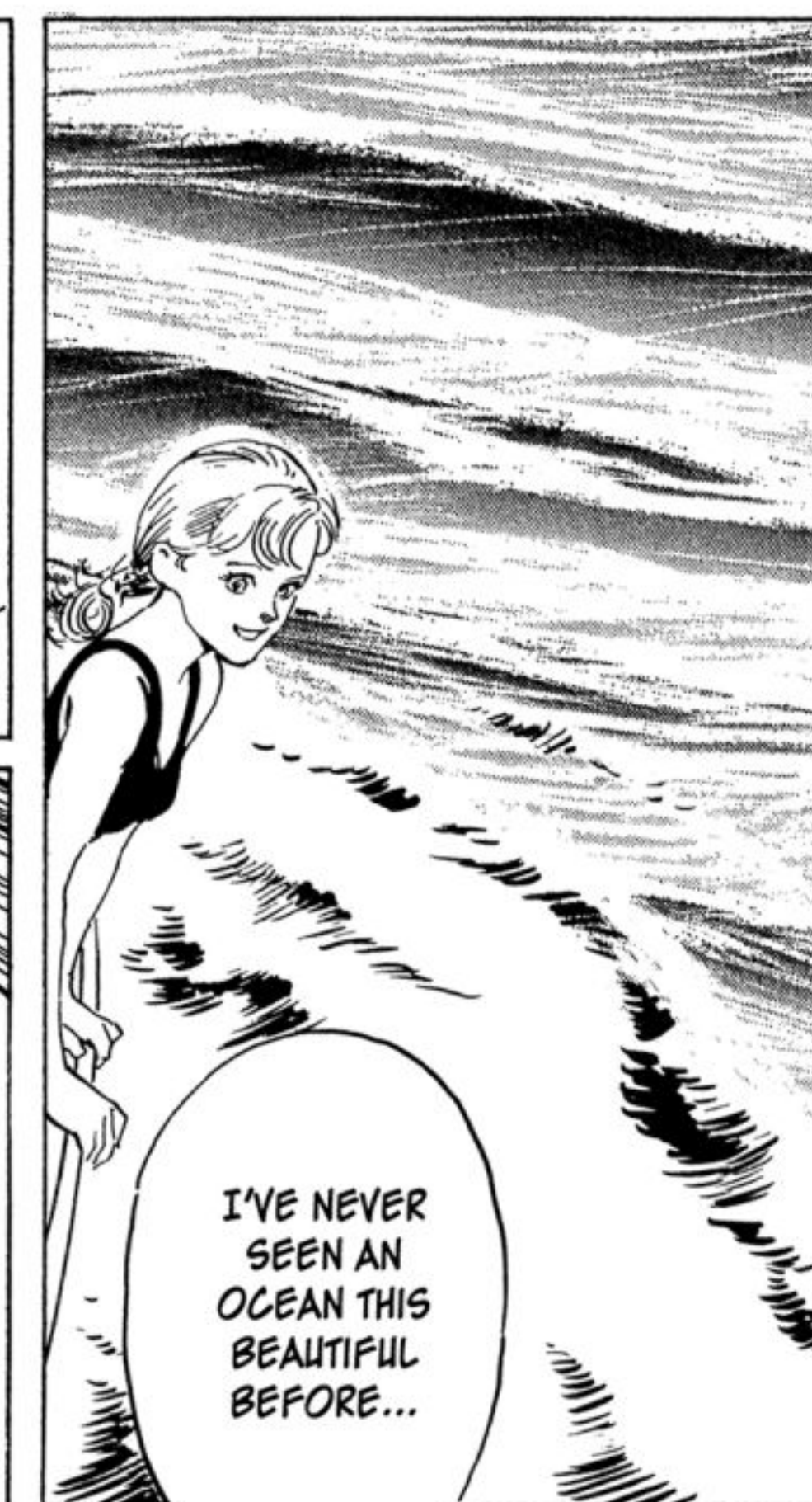
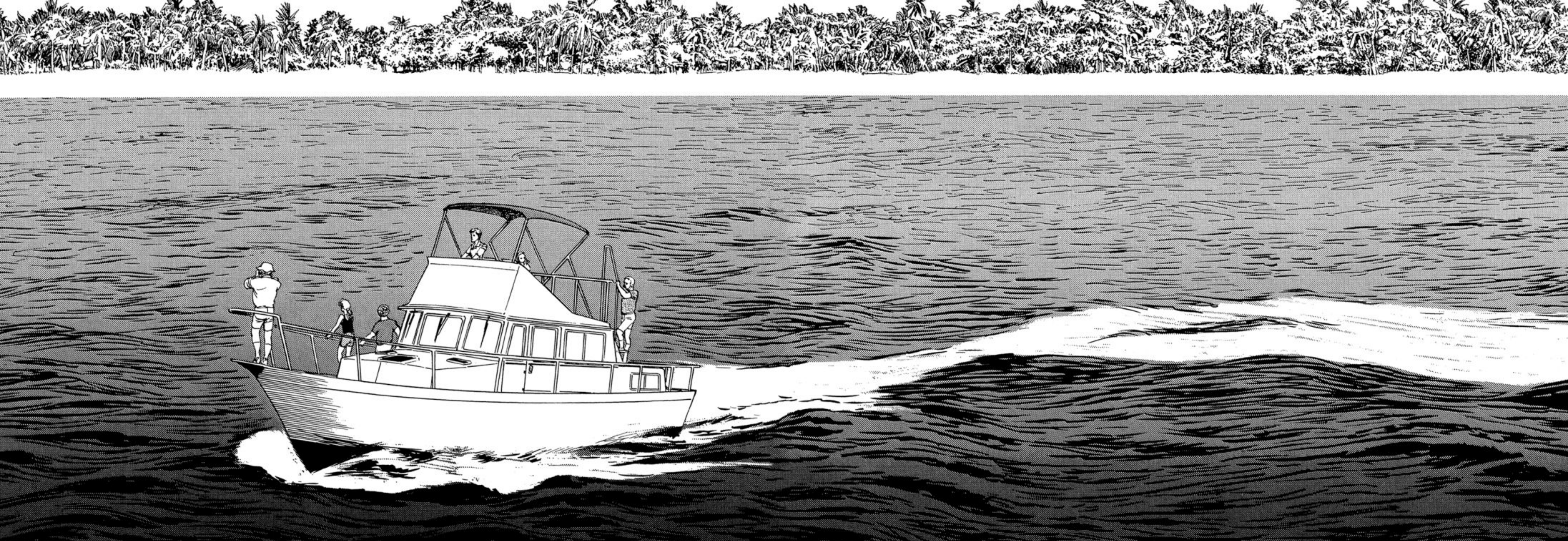


THERE'S EVEN A POSSIBILITY THAT THE BLUE HOLE ITSELF IS ENTANGLED WITH ANOTHER ONE.

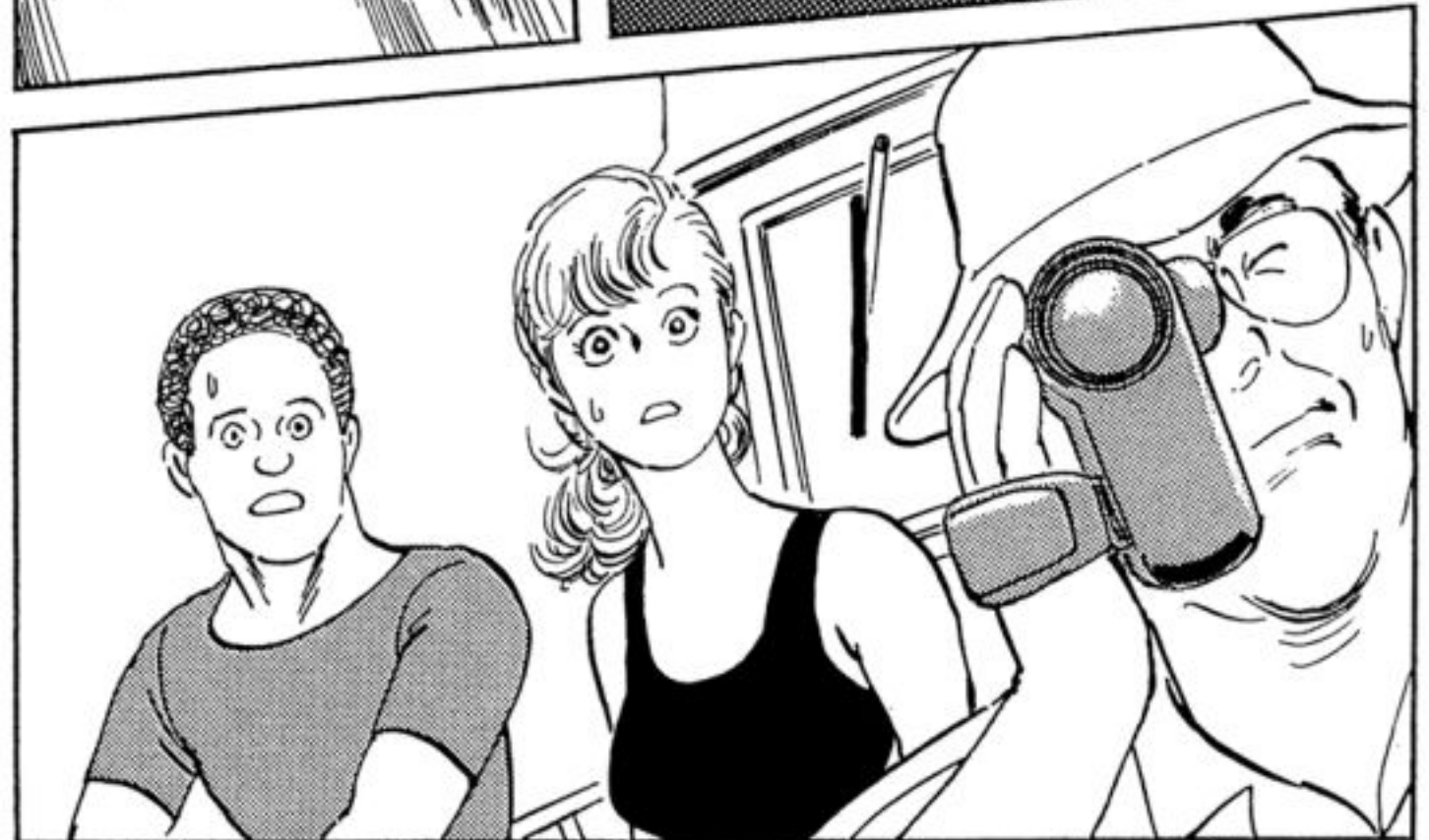
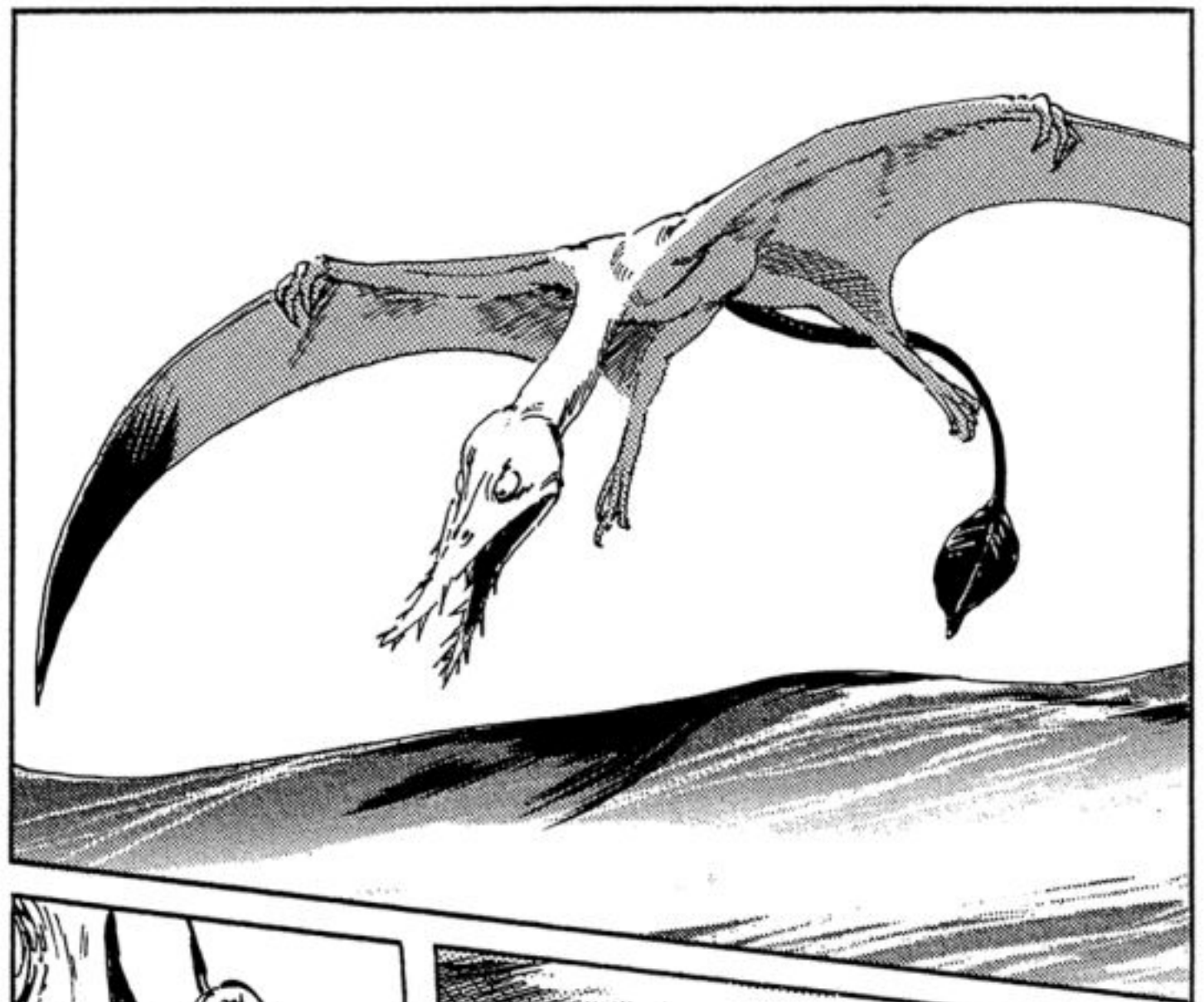
PROBABLY NOT, HARRY. THE CONTINENTS AND EVEN THE EARTH'S AXIS HAVE MOVED IN THE PAST MILLION YEARS. IF THE BLUE HOLE'S POSITION IS THE ONLY ONE THAT'S FIXED, THEN WE'RE PROBABLY QUITE FAR-OFF.

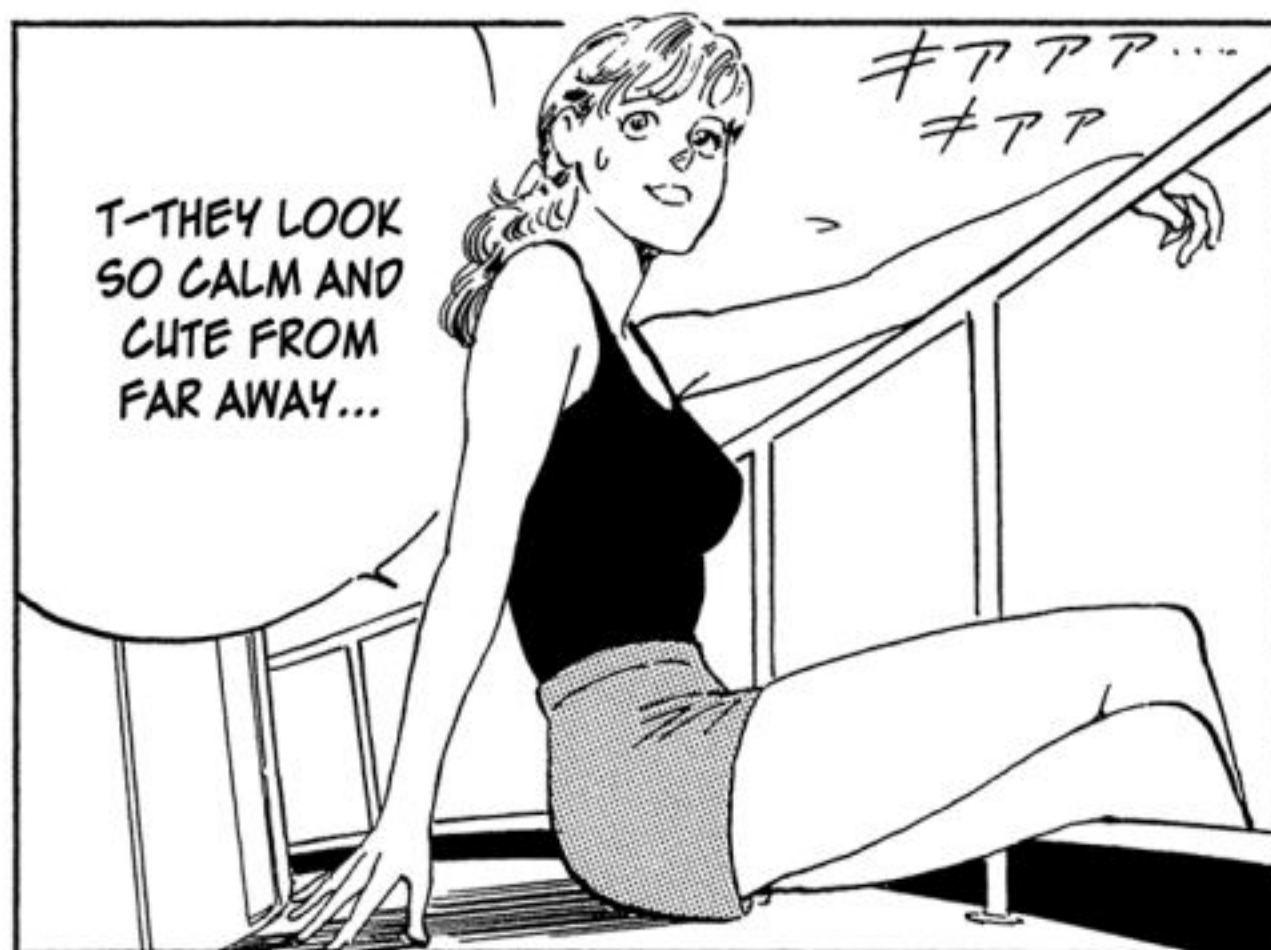
ENTANGLED?



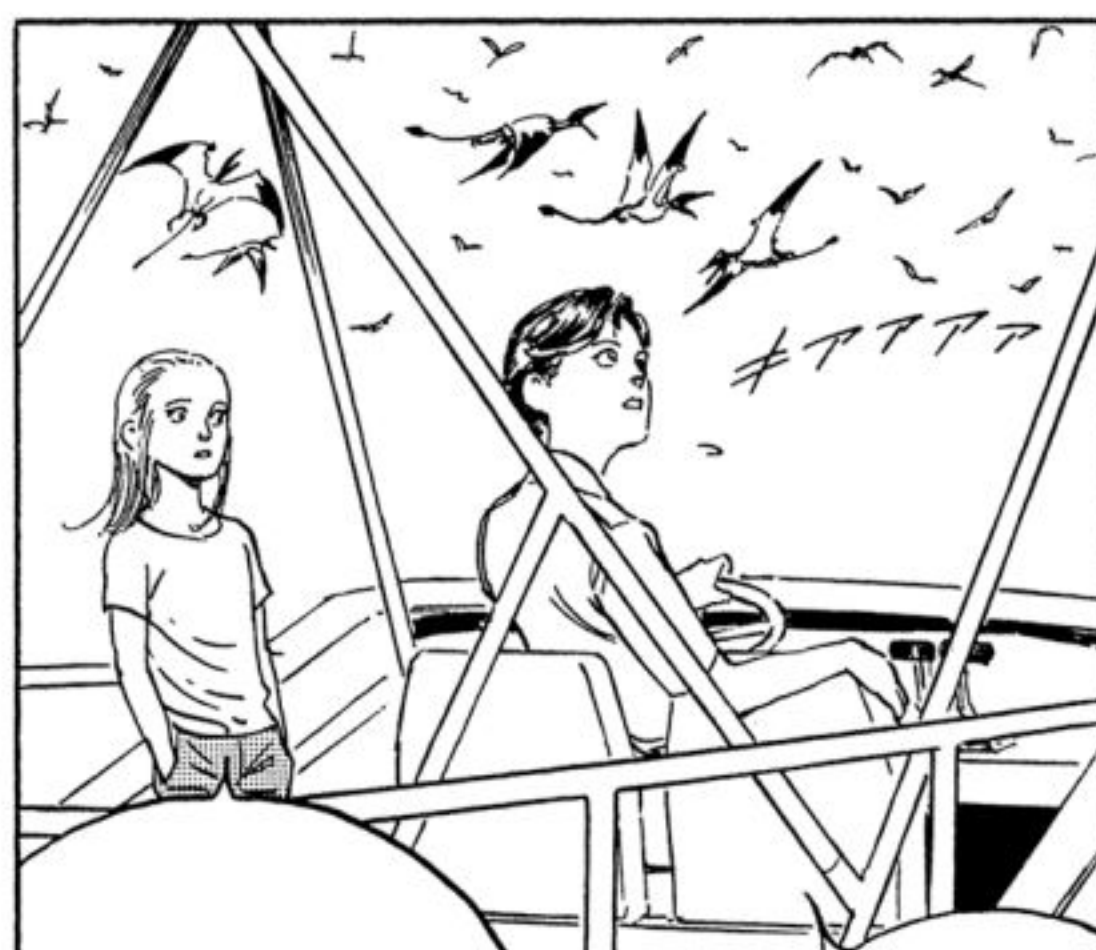








T-THEY LOOK
SO CALM AND
CUTE FROM
FAR AWAY...

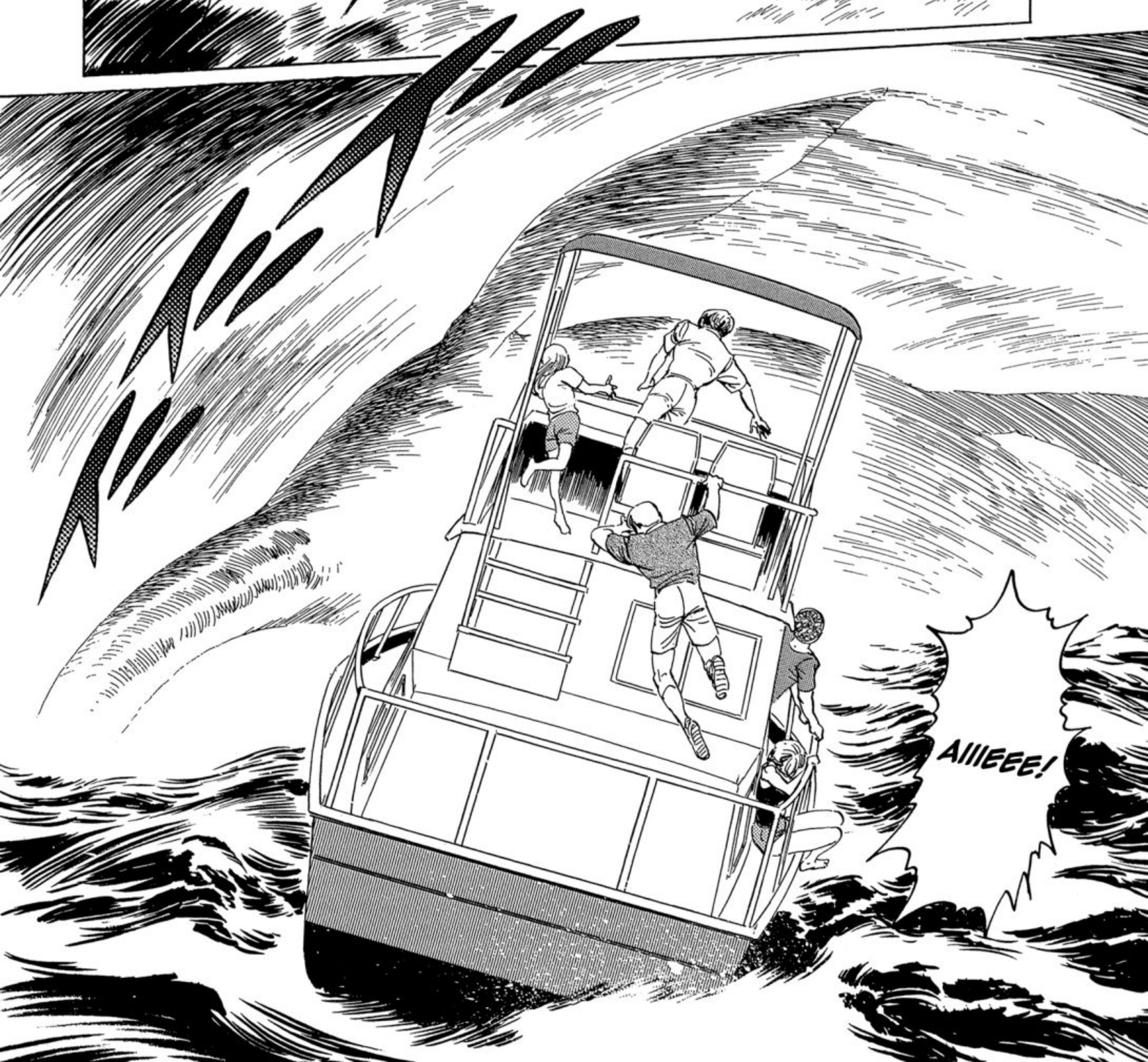


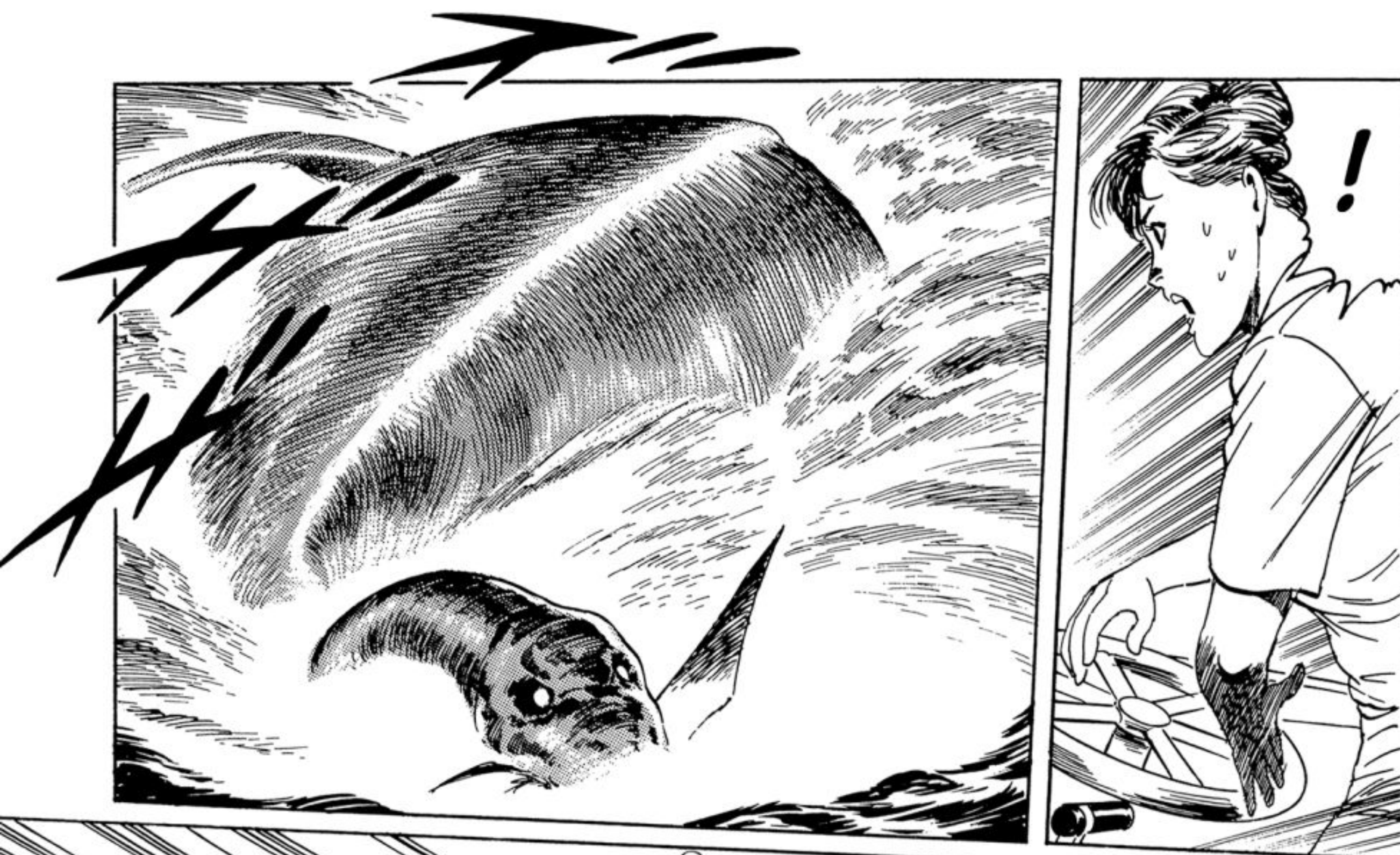
THE JURASSIC
PERIOD WAS WHEN THE
EARLIEST PTEROSAURS
STARTED SHOWING UP.
THERE WOULDN'T BE ANY
BIG PTEROSAURS LIKE
PTERANODON UNTIL THE
CRETACEOUS PERIOD.

ARE THOSE
PTEROSAURS,
TOO? THEY
LOOK MORE
LIKE ALBA-
TROSSES.

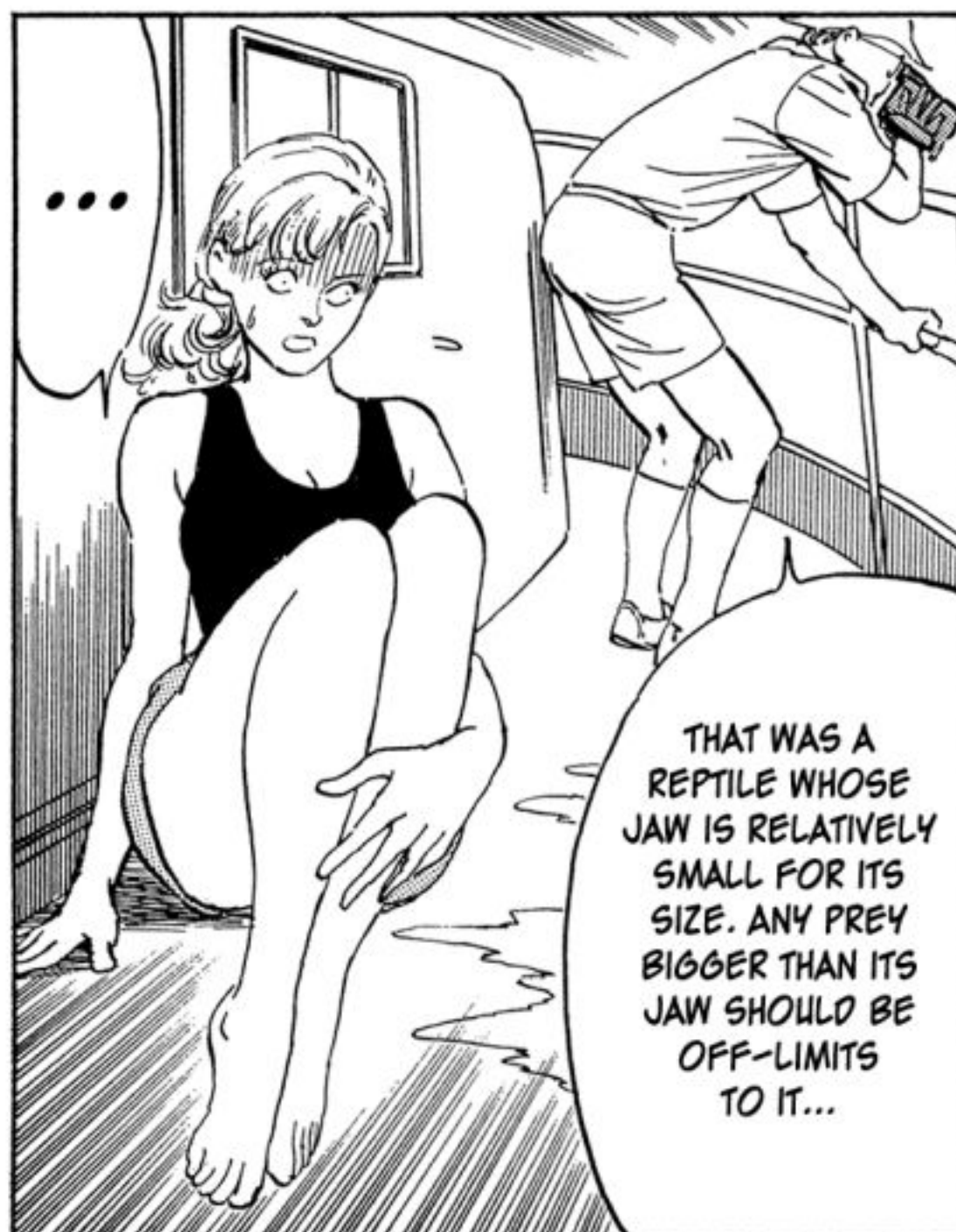
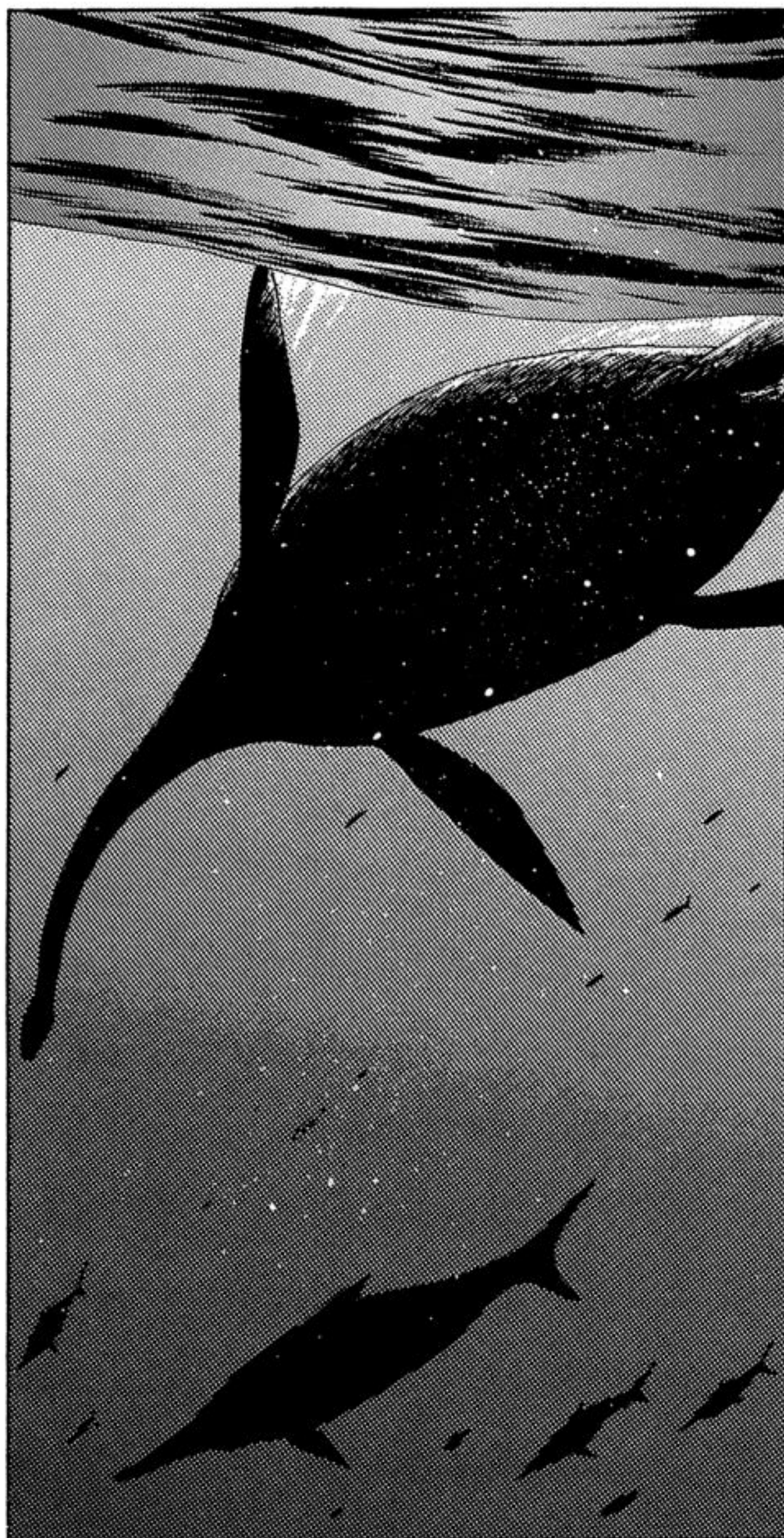


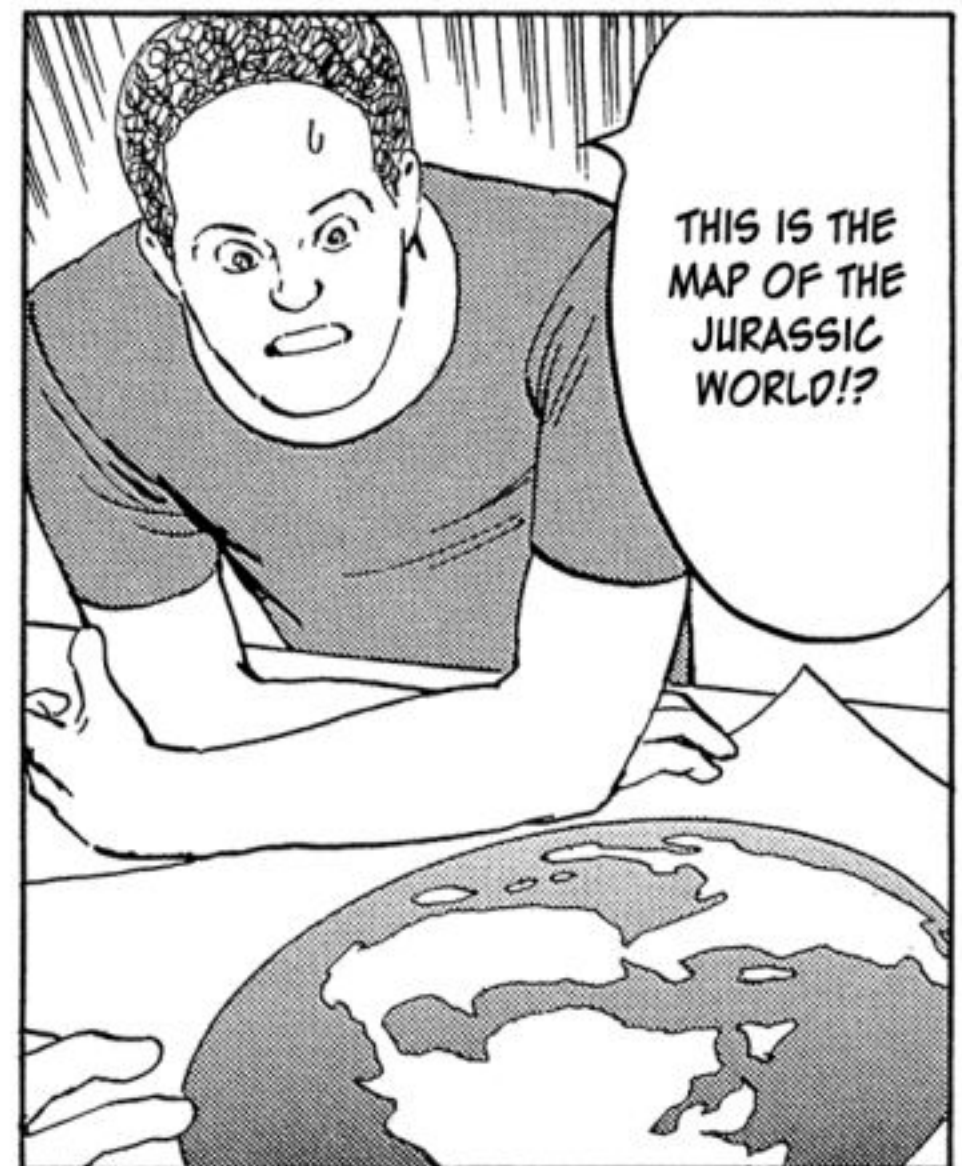
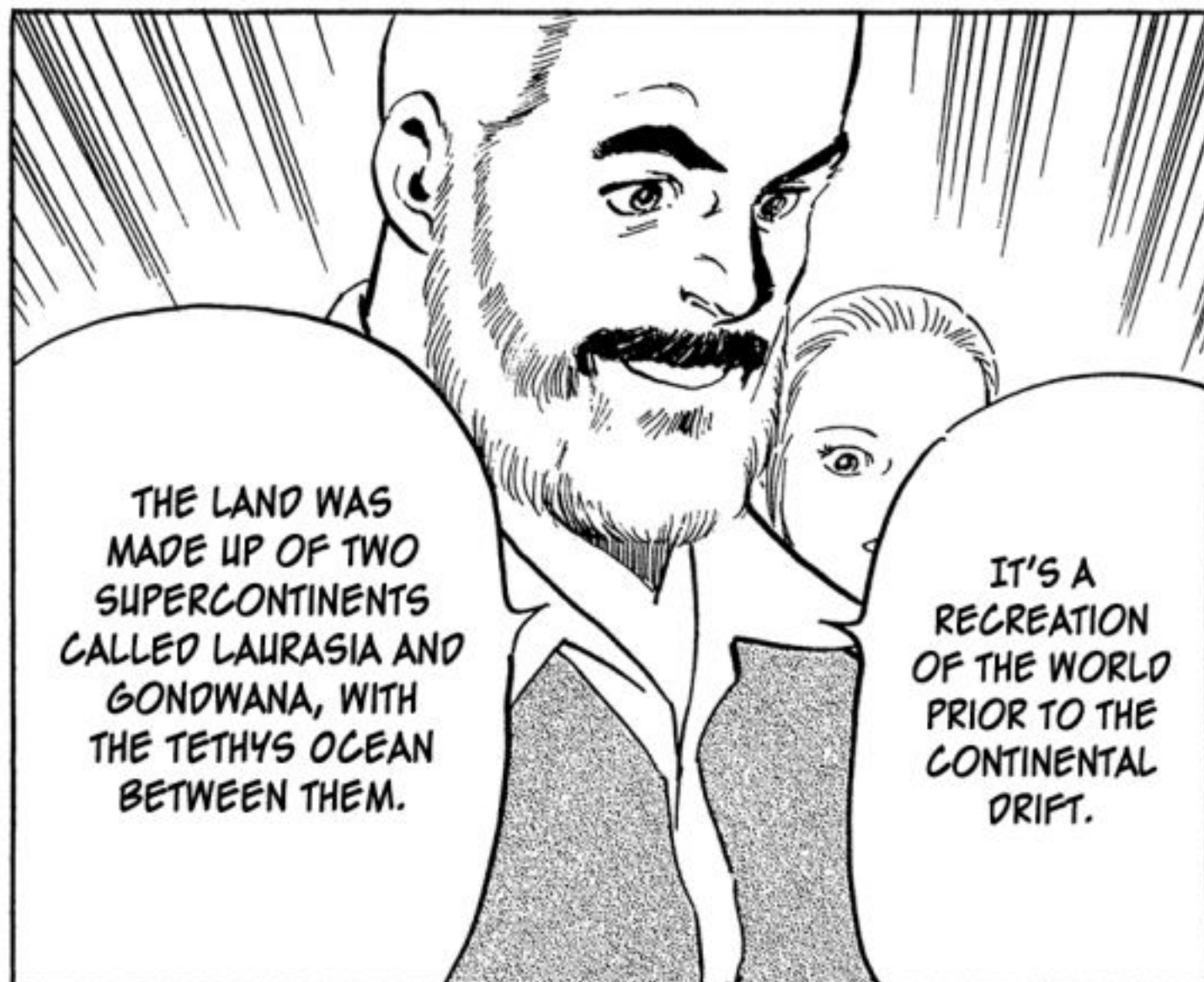
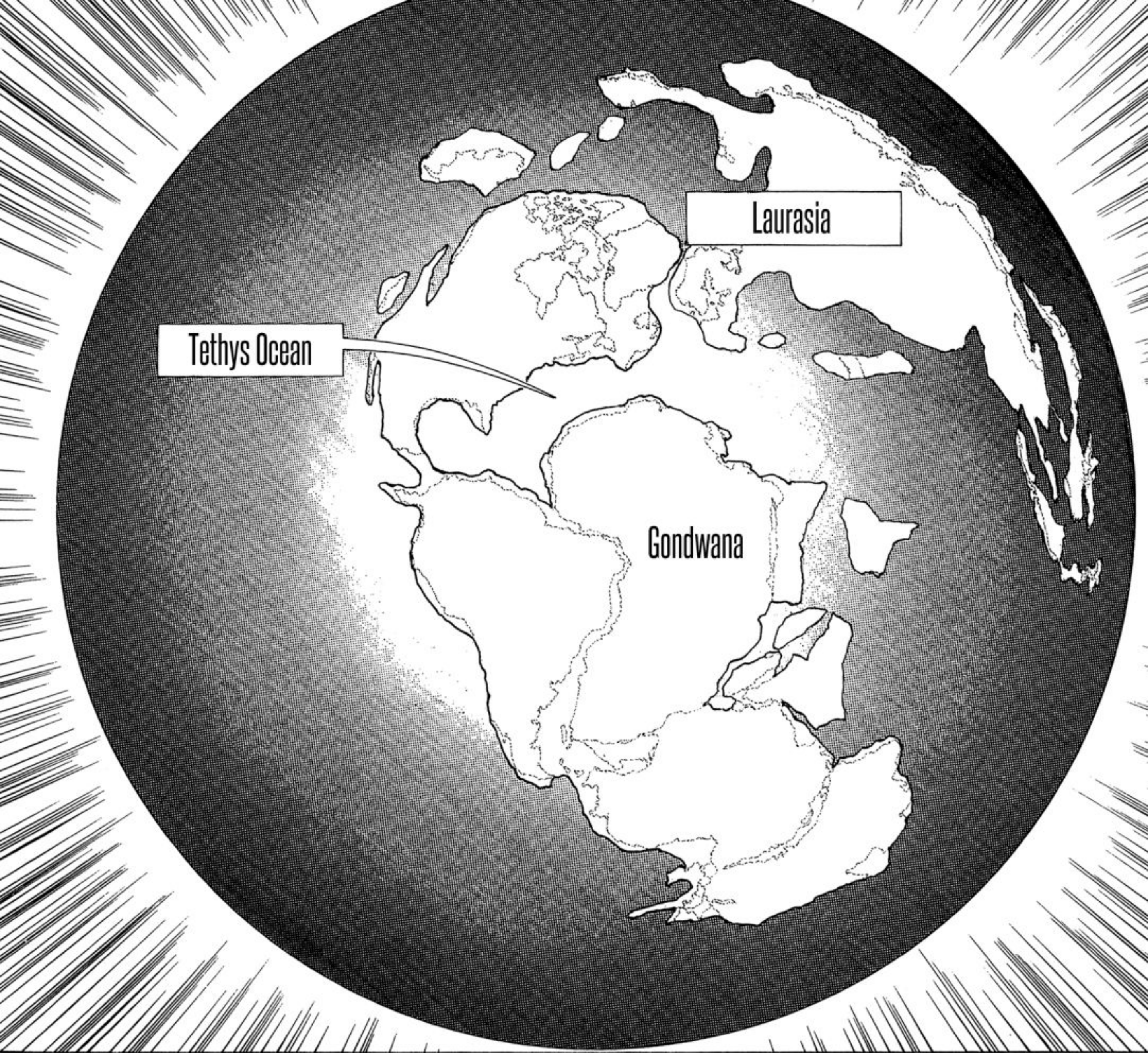


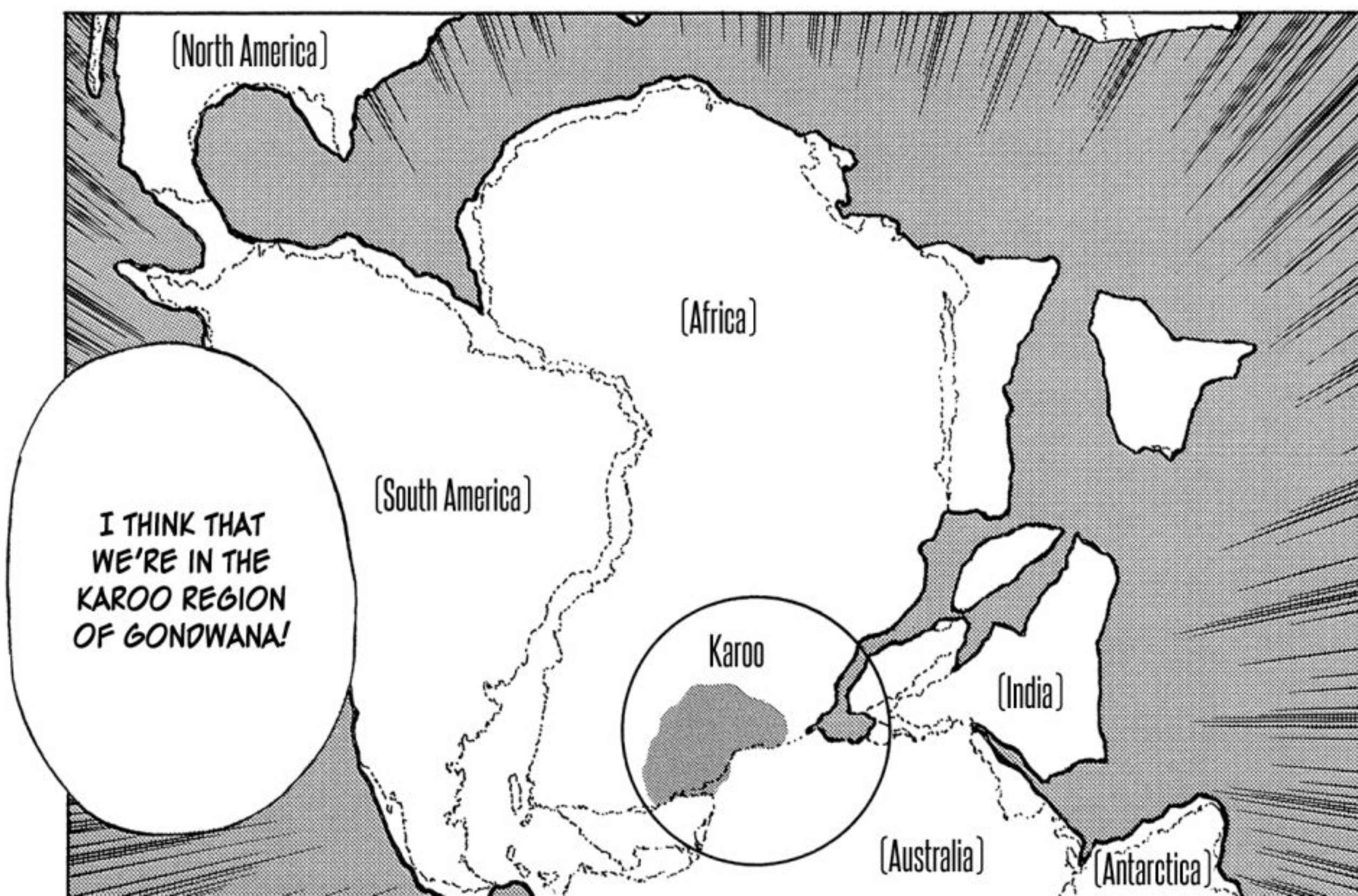
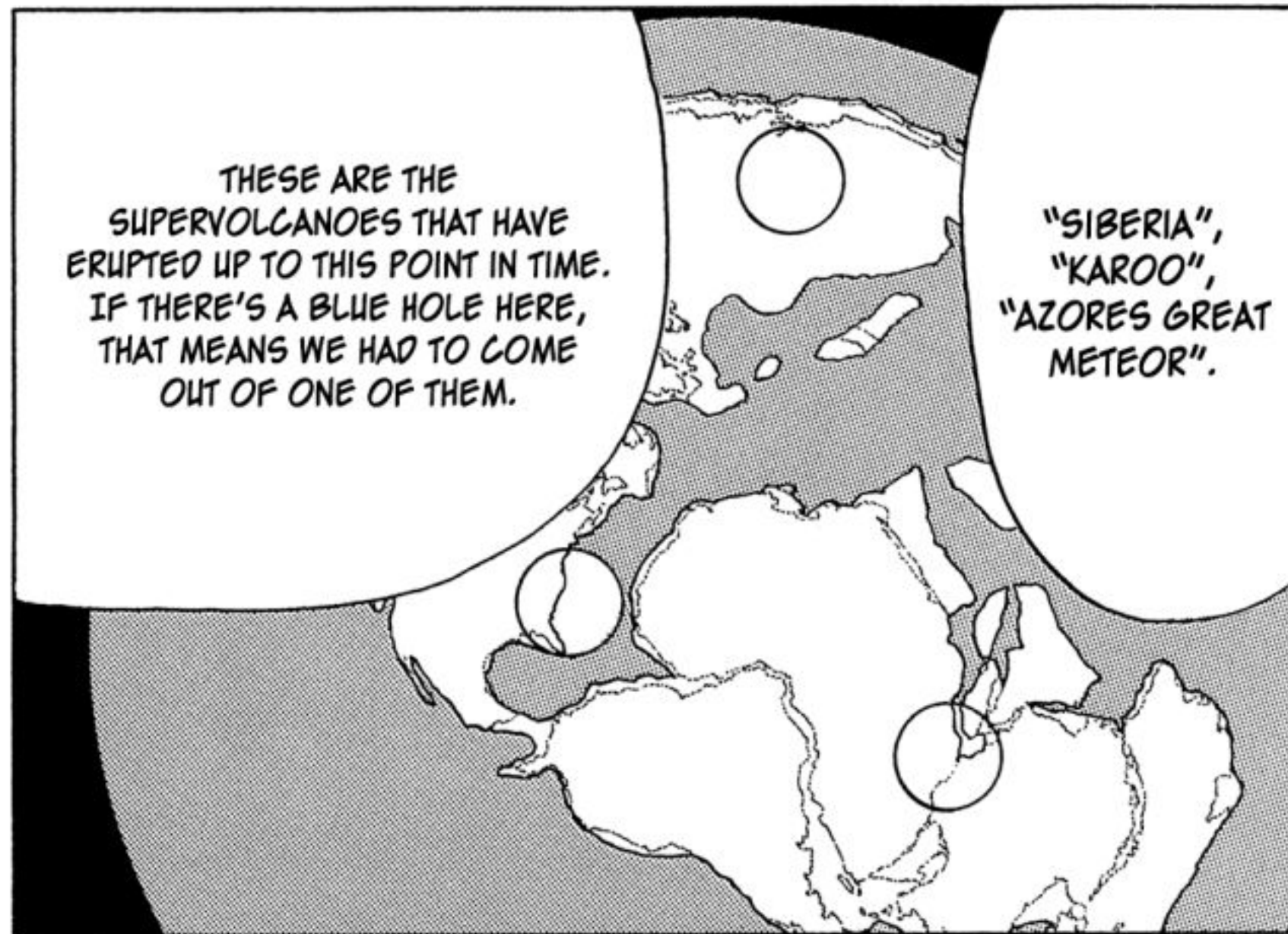












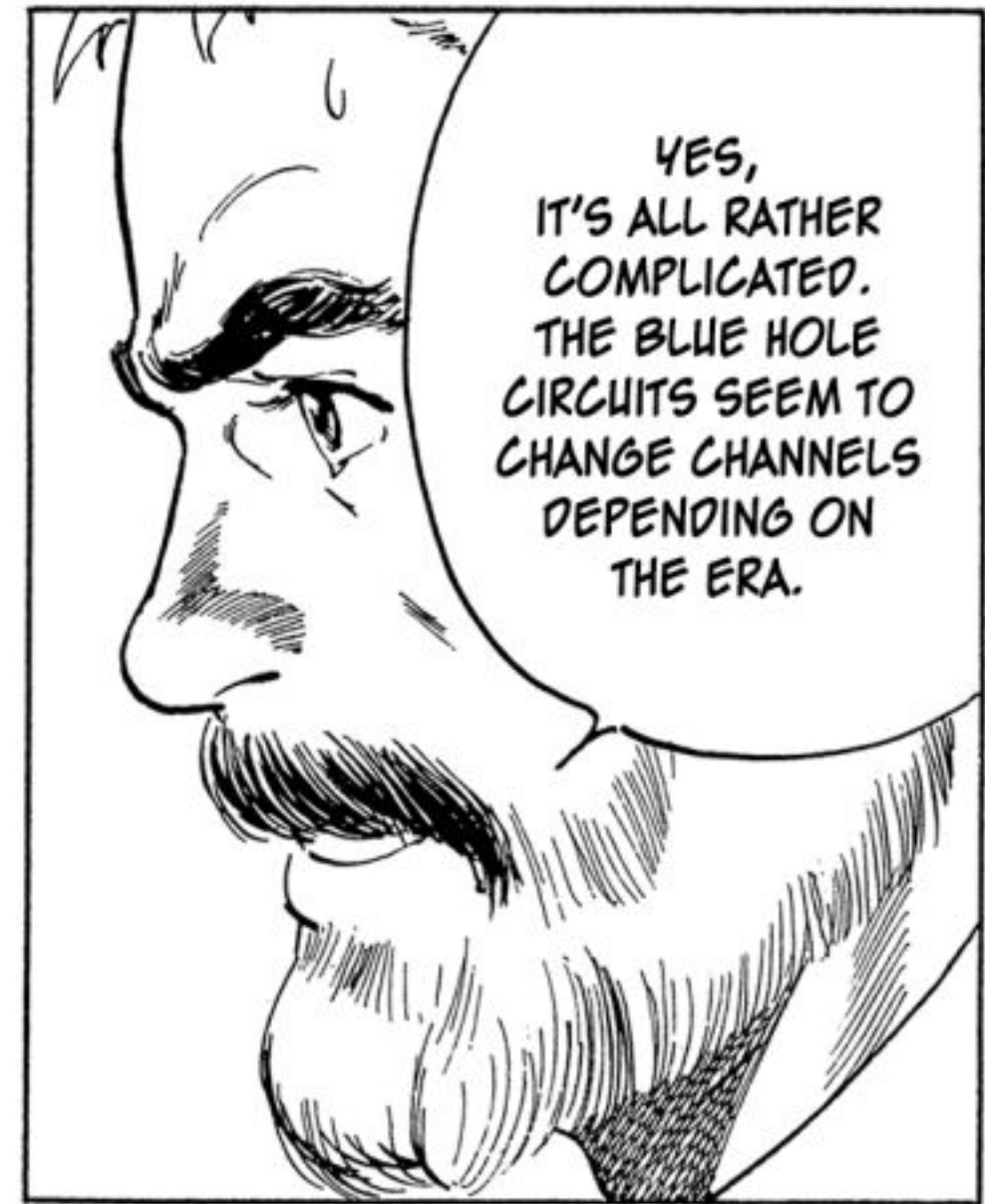


YOU CAN
THINK OF THEM
AS WORMHOLES
IN SPACE-TIME.
THERE ARE MULTIPLE
WORMHOLES, AND
NEW ONES ARE
BEING MADE ALL
THE TIME...

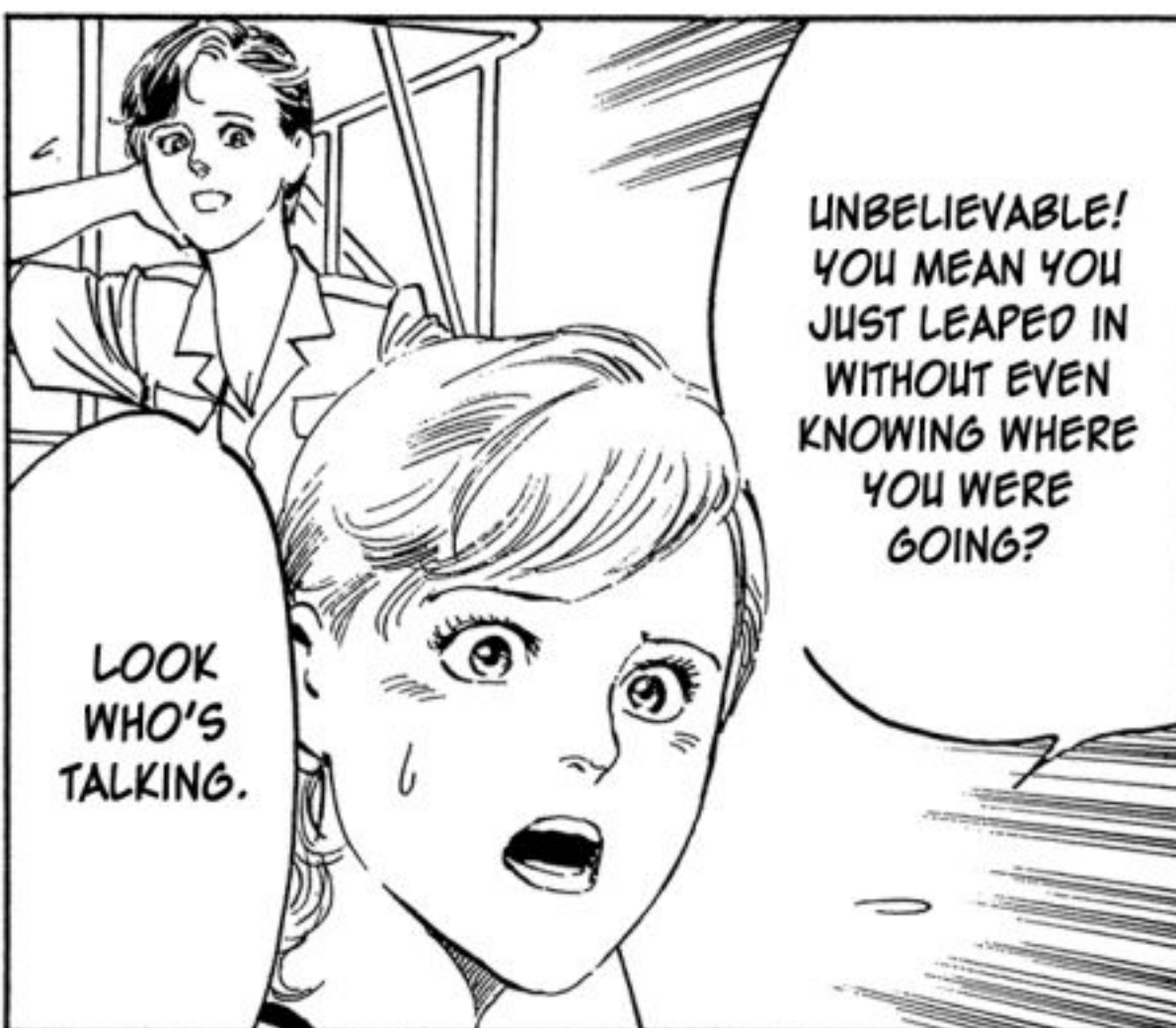
IF TWO
WORMHOLES
COLLIDED AND
CONNECTED,
THEY'D FORM
AN ALL-NEW
CIRCUIT.



W-WAIT,
ISN'T THAT THE
BLUE HOLE OFF
THE SHORE OF
MADAGASCAR!?
BUT I THOUGHT IT
LED TO THE WORLD
65 MILLION
YEARS AGO...

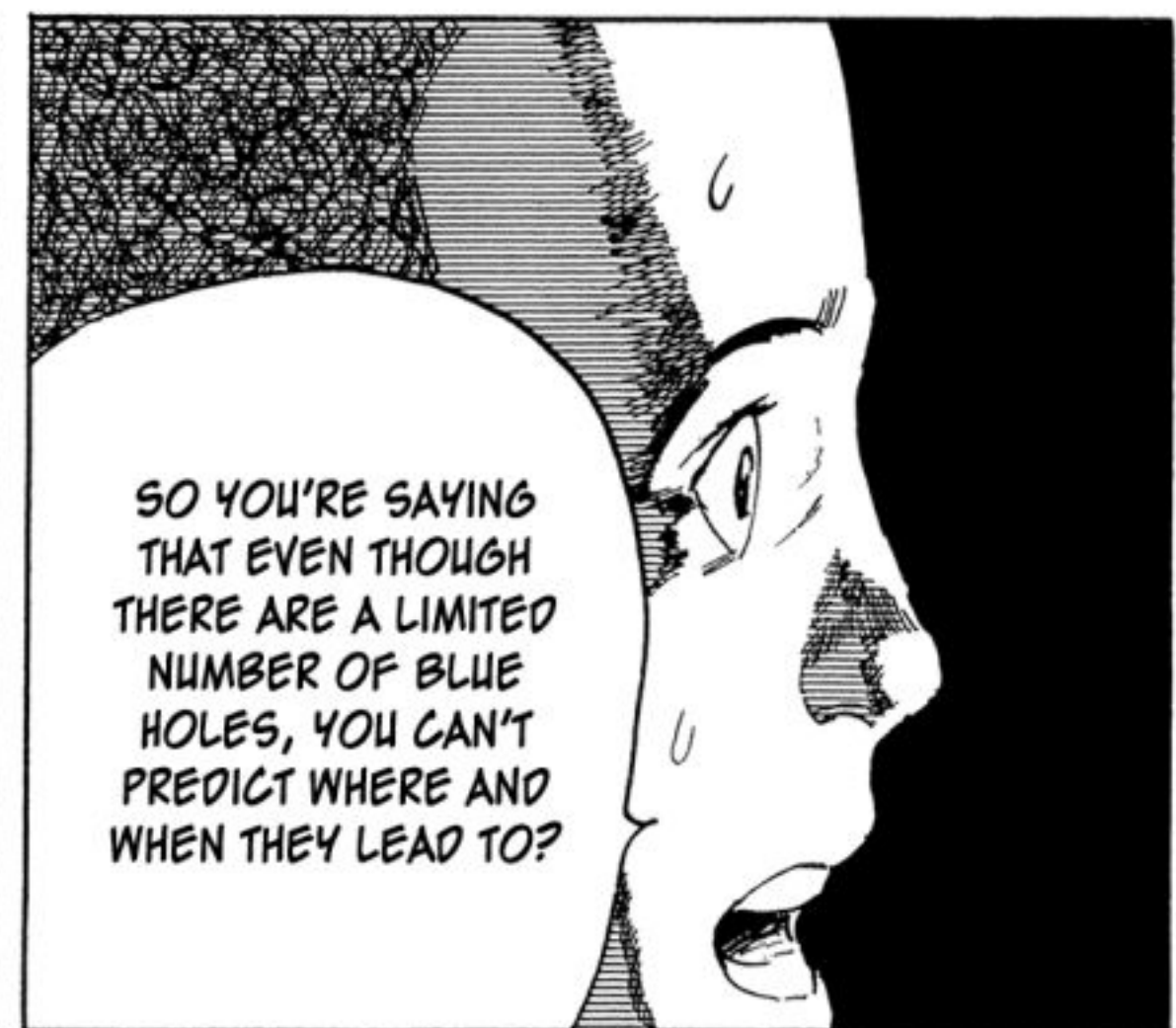


YES,
IT'S ALL RATHER
COMPLICATED.
THE BLUE HOLE
CIRCUITS SEEM TO
CHANGE CHANNELS
DEPENDING ON
THE ERA.



LOOK
WHO'S
TALKING.

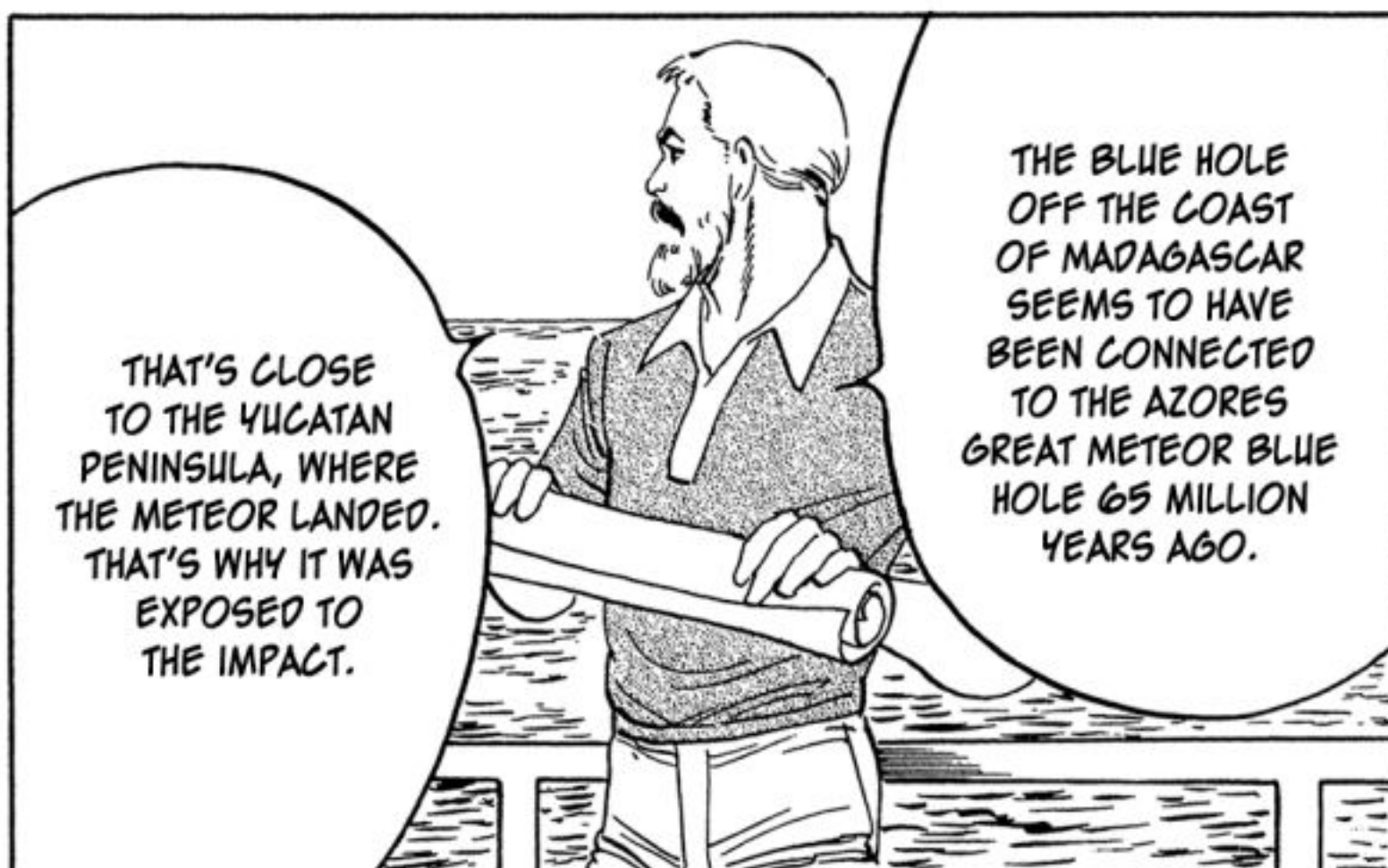
UNBELIEVABLE!
YOU MEAN YOU
JUST LEAPED IN
WITHOUT EVEN
KNOWING WHERE
YOU WERE
GOING?



SO YOU'RE SAYING
THAT EVEN THOUGH
THERE ARE A LIMITED
NUMBER OF BLUE
HOLES, YOU CAN'T
PREDICT WHERE AND
WHEN THEY LEAD TO?

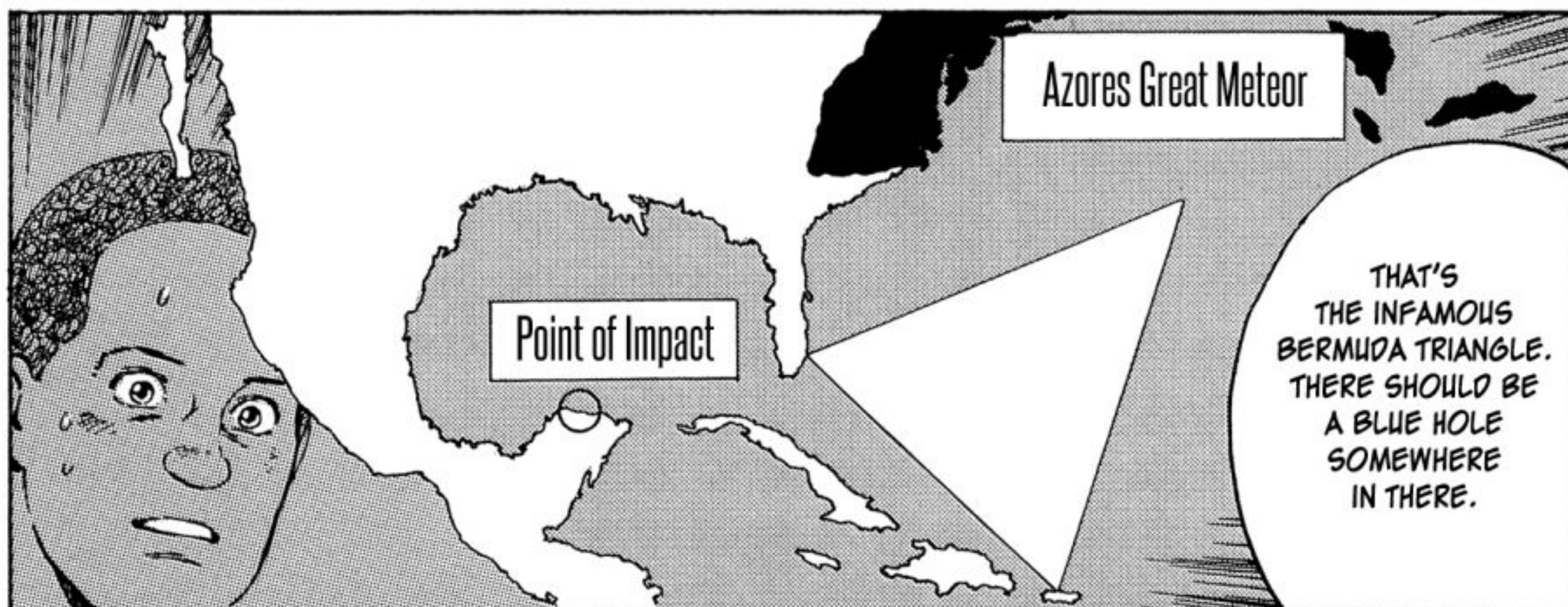


AZORES
GREAT
METEOR
BLUE
HOLE?



THAT'S CLOSE
TO THE YUCATAN
PENINSULA, WHERE
THE METEOR LANDED.
THAT'S WHY IT WAS
EXPOSED TO
THE IMPACT.

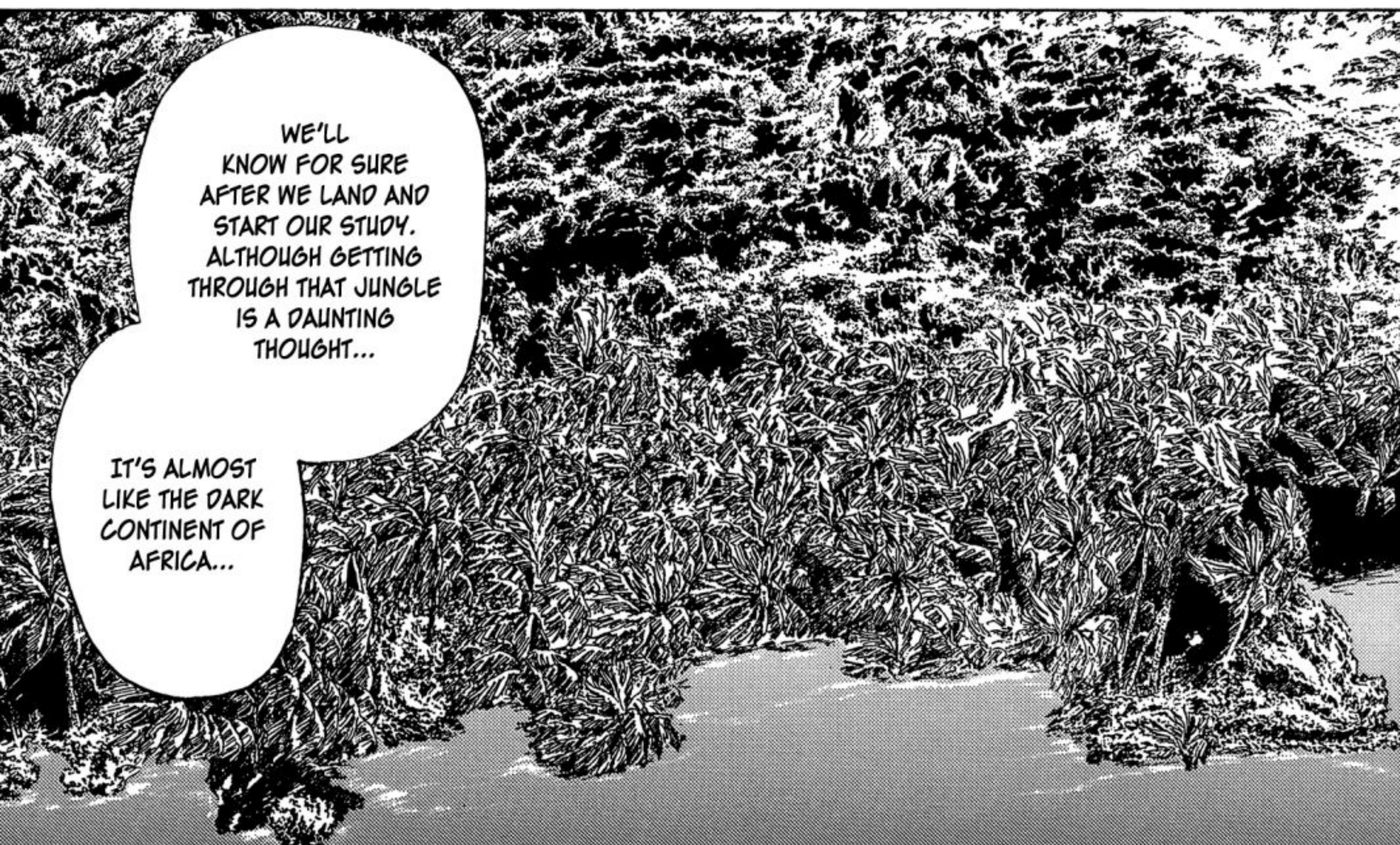
THE BLUE HOLE
OFF THE COAST
OF MADAGASCAR
SEEMS TO HAVE
BEEN CONNECTED
TO THE AZORES
GREAT METEOR BLUE
HOLE 65 MILLION
YEARS AGO.



Azores Great Meteor

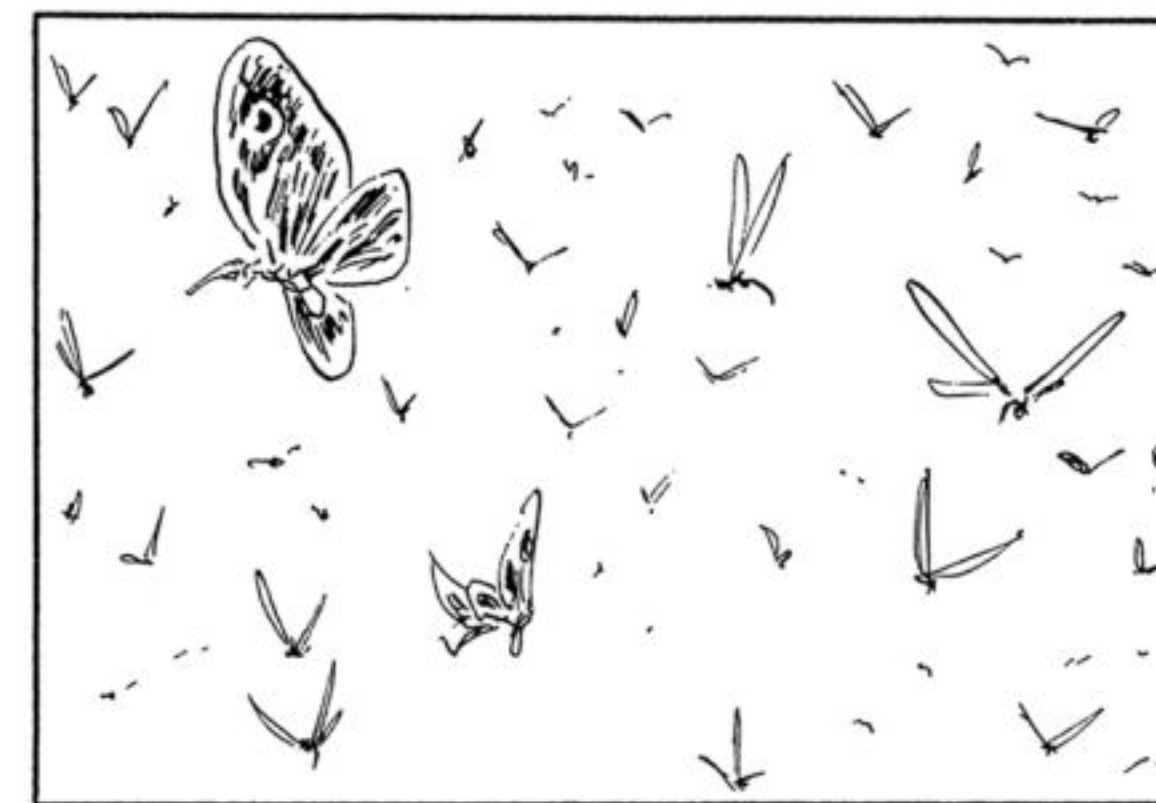
Point of Impact

THAT'S
THE INFAMOUS
BERMUDA TRIANGLE.
THERE SHOULD BE
A BLUE HOLE
SOMEWHERE
IN THERE.



WE'LL
KNOW FOR SURE
AFTER WE LAND AND
START OUR STUDY.
ALTHOUGH GETTING
THROUGH THAT JUNGLE
IS A DAUNTING
THOUGHT...

IT'S ALMOST
LIKE THE DARK
CONTINENT OF
AFRICA...



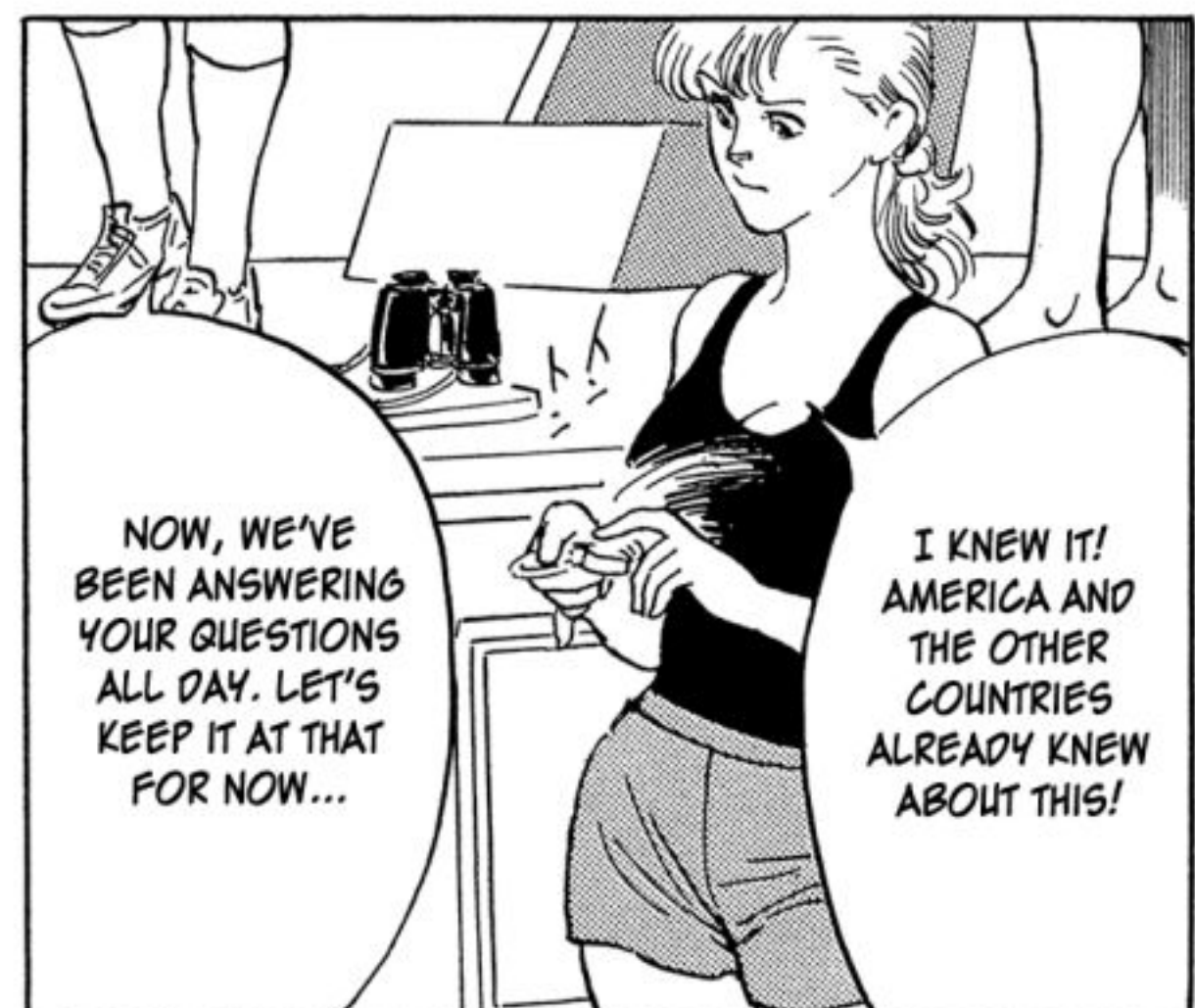
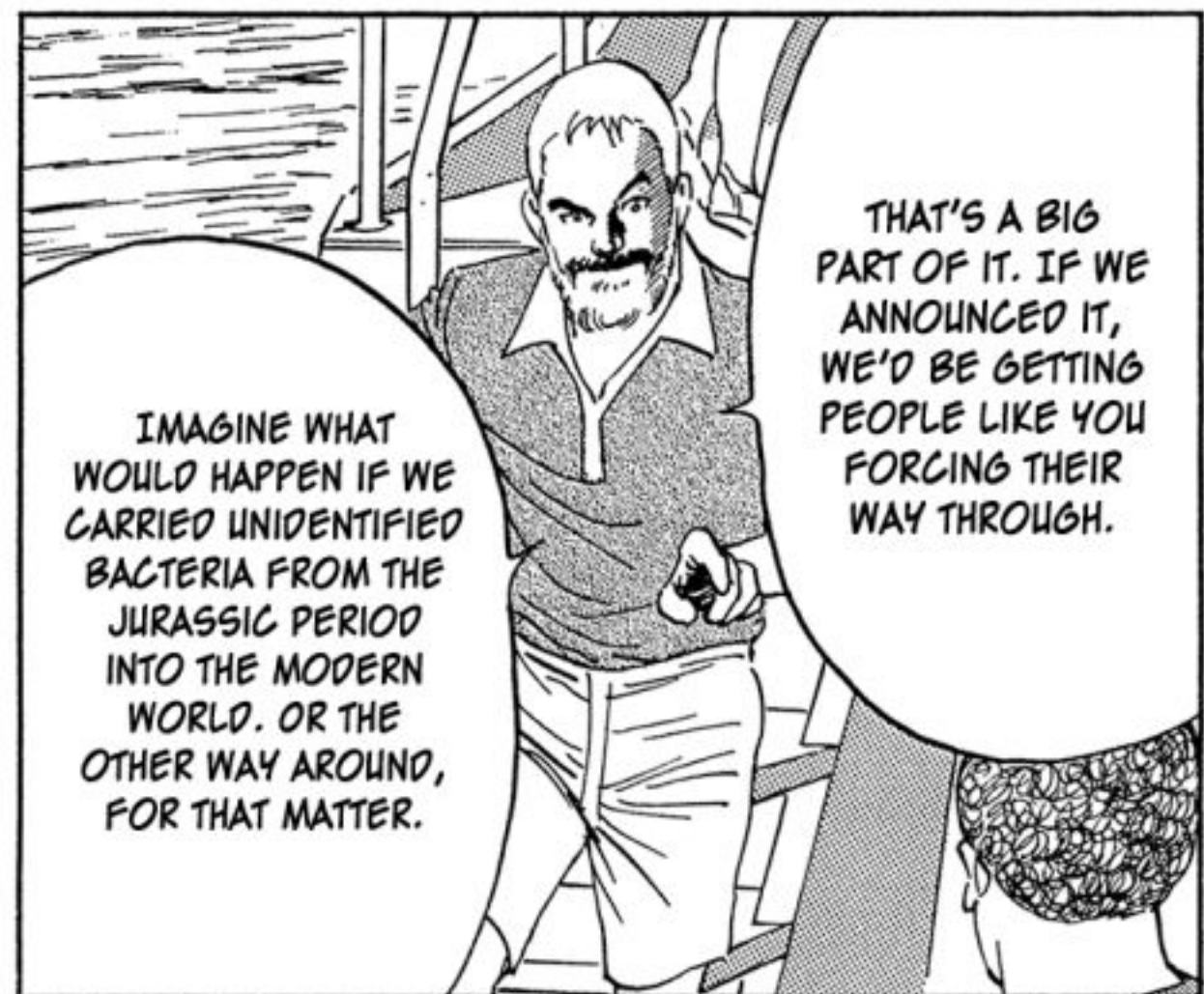
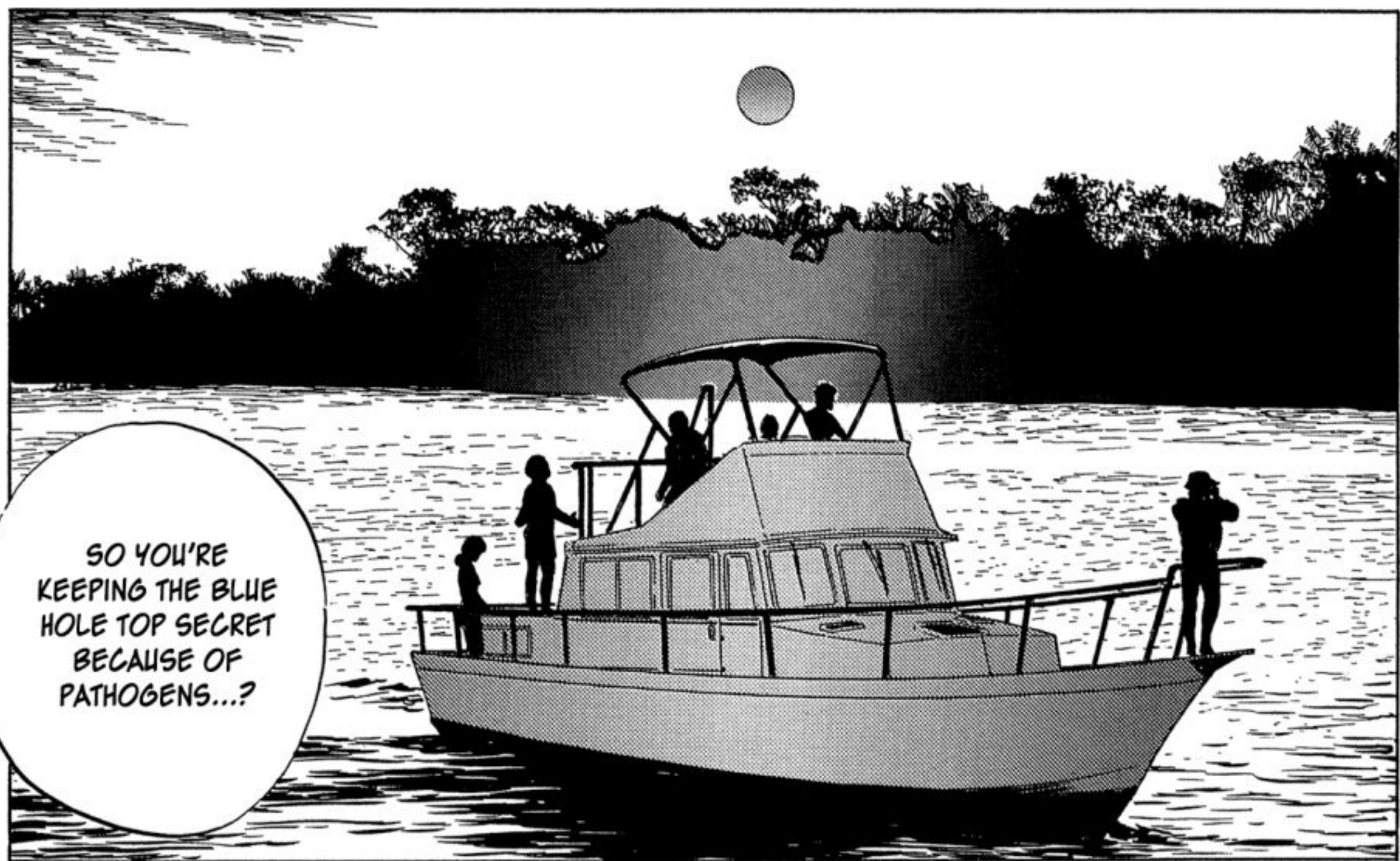


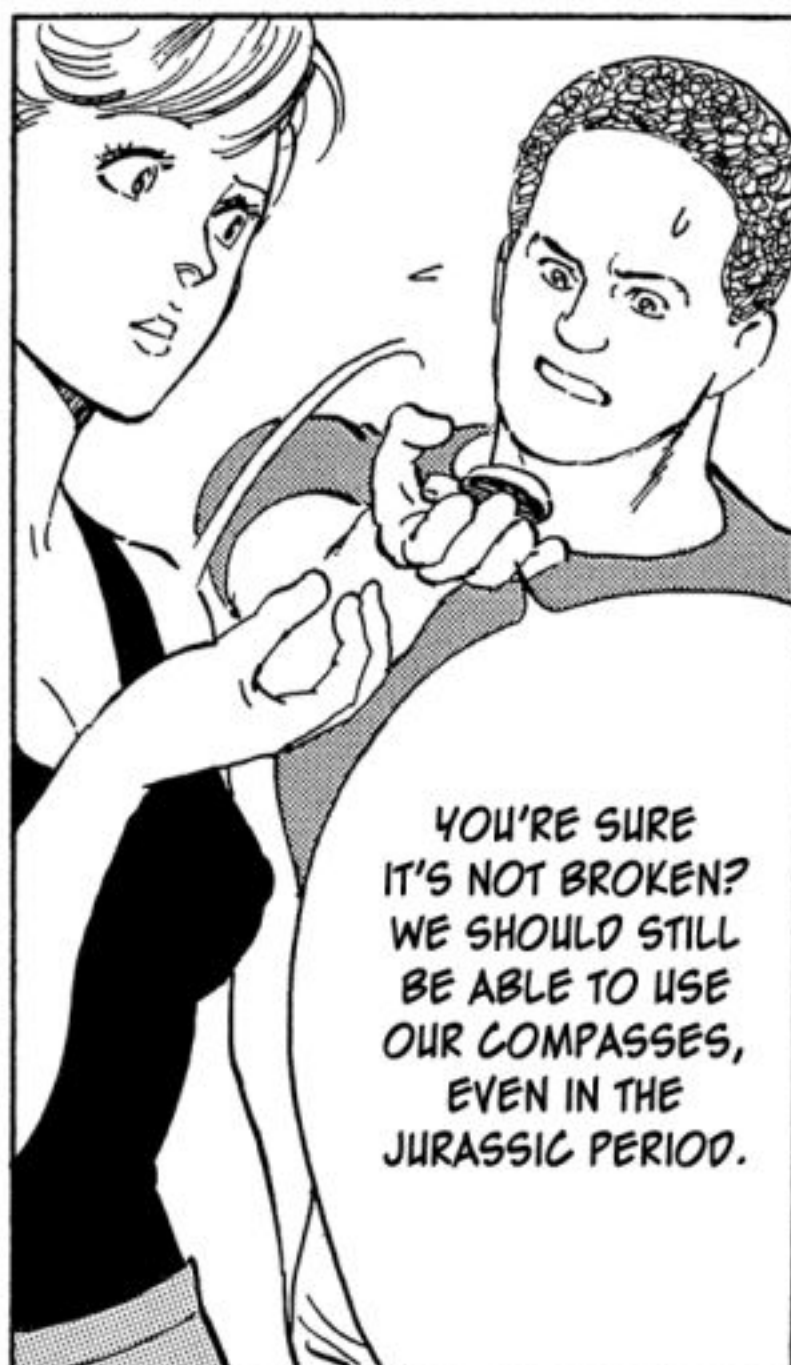




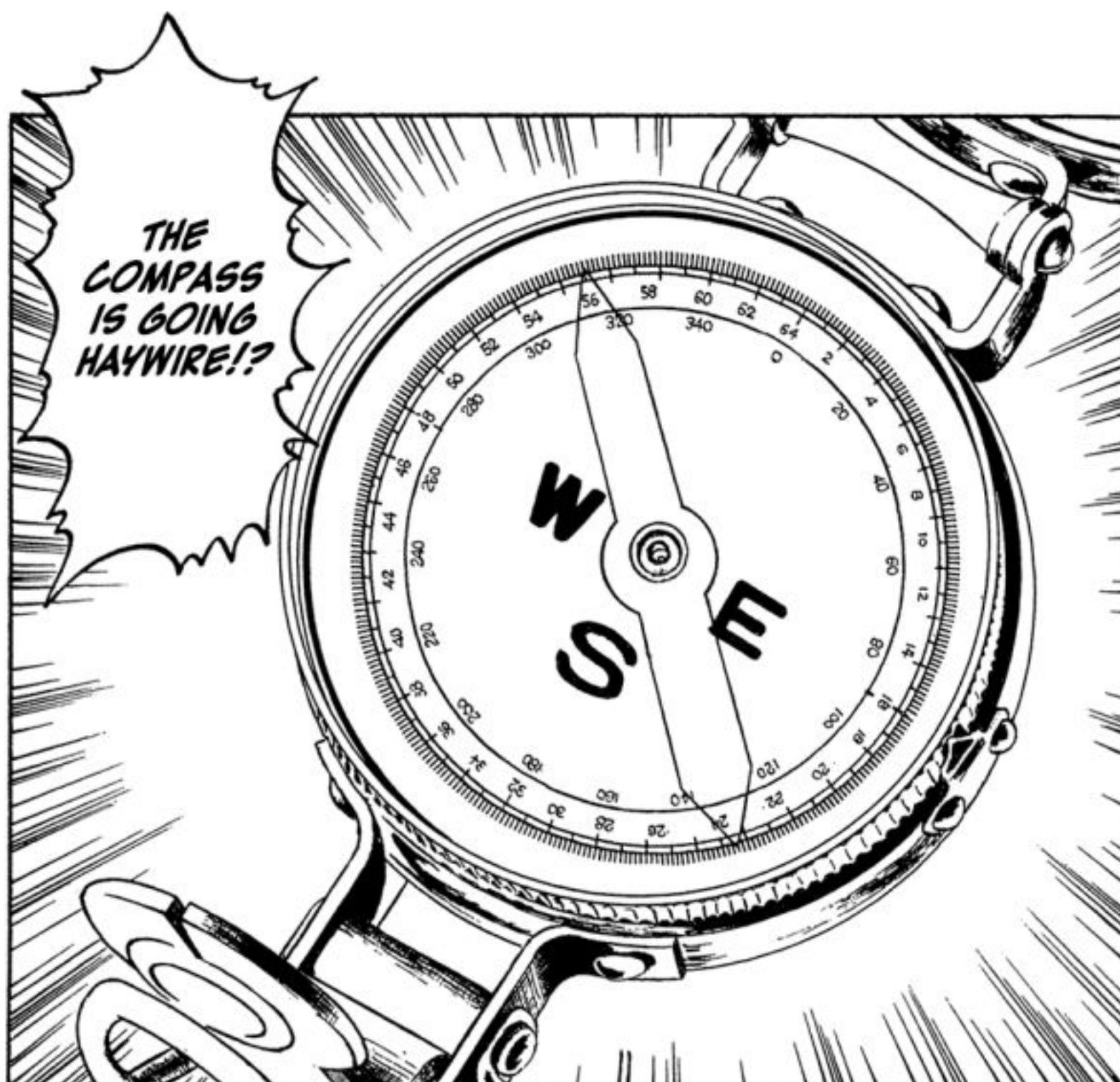




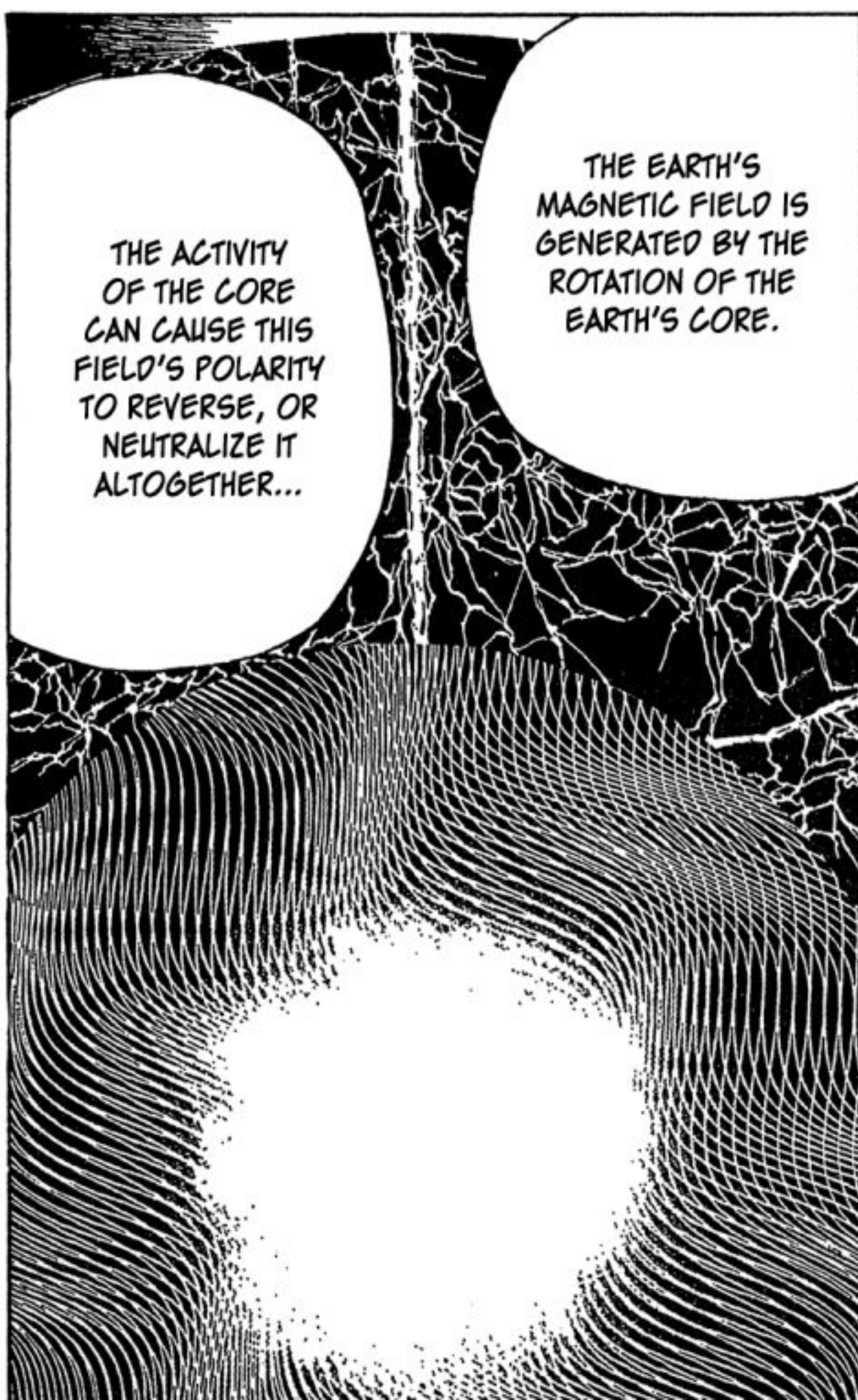




YOU'RE SURE
IT'S NOT BROKEN?
WE SHOULD STILL
BE ABLE TO USE
OUR COMPASSES,
EVEN IN THE
JURASSIC PERIOD.



THE
COMPASS
IS GOING
HAYWIRE!?



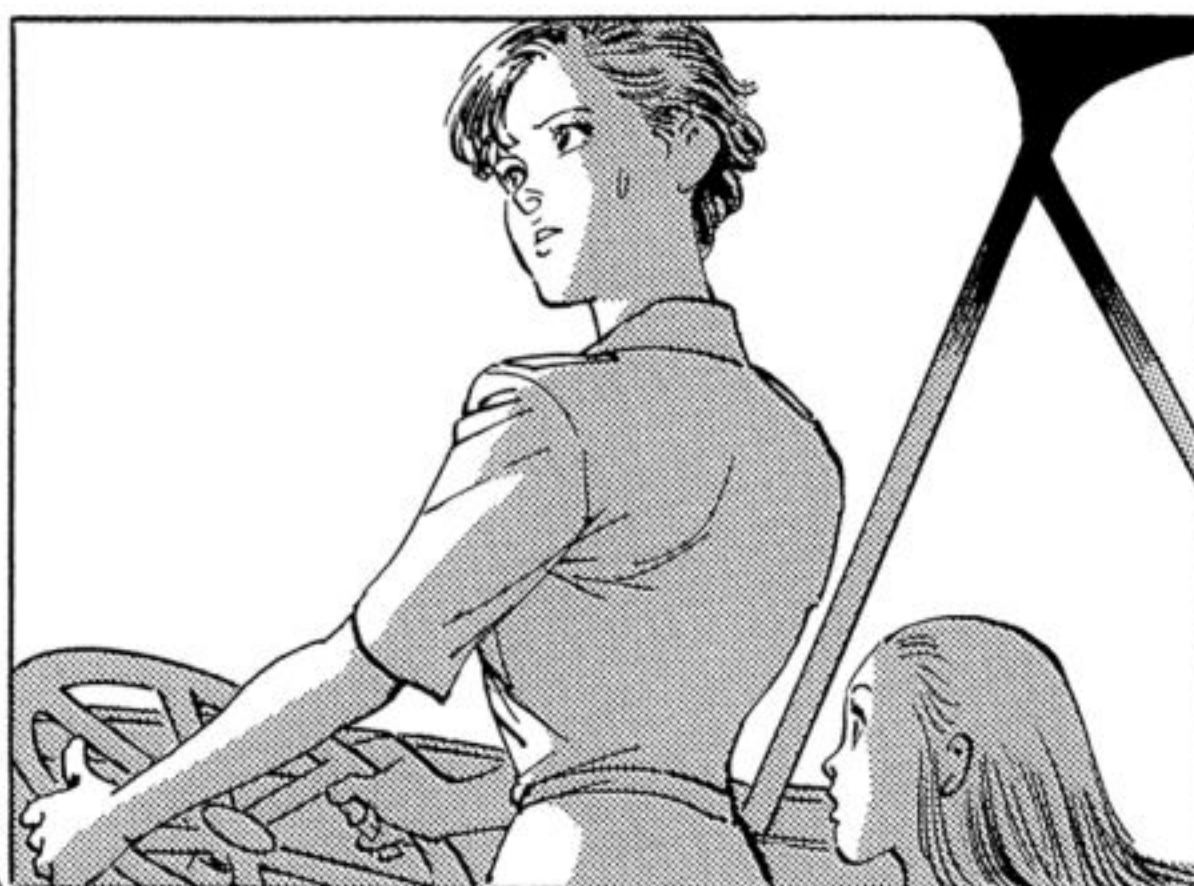
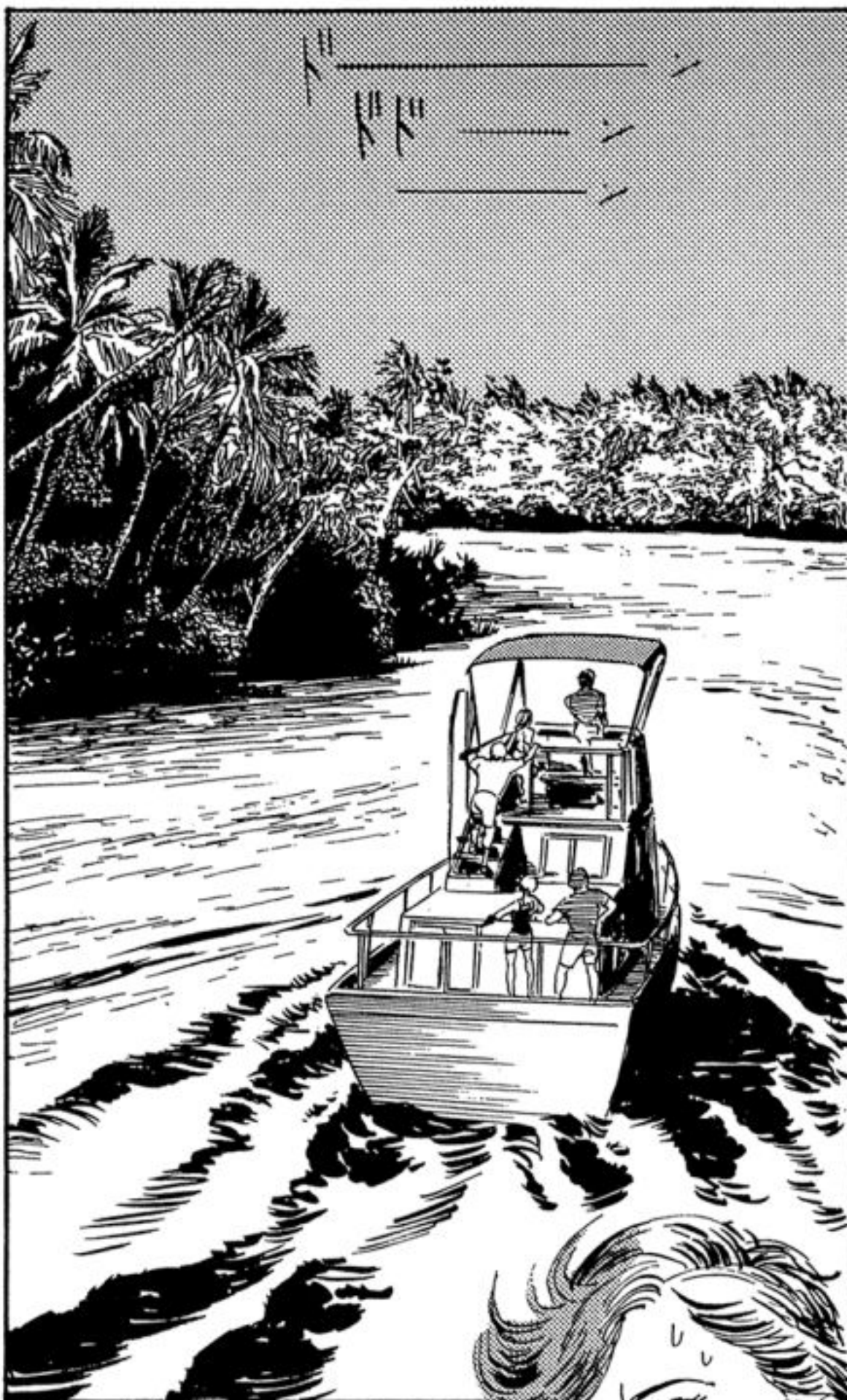
THE ACTIVITY
OF THE CORE
CAN CAUSE THIS
FIELD'S POLARITY
TO REVERSE, OR
NEUTRALIZE IT
ALTOGETHER...

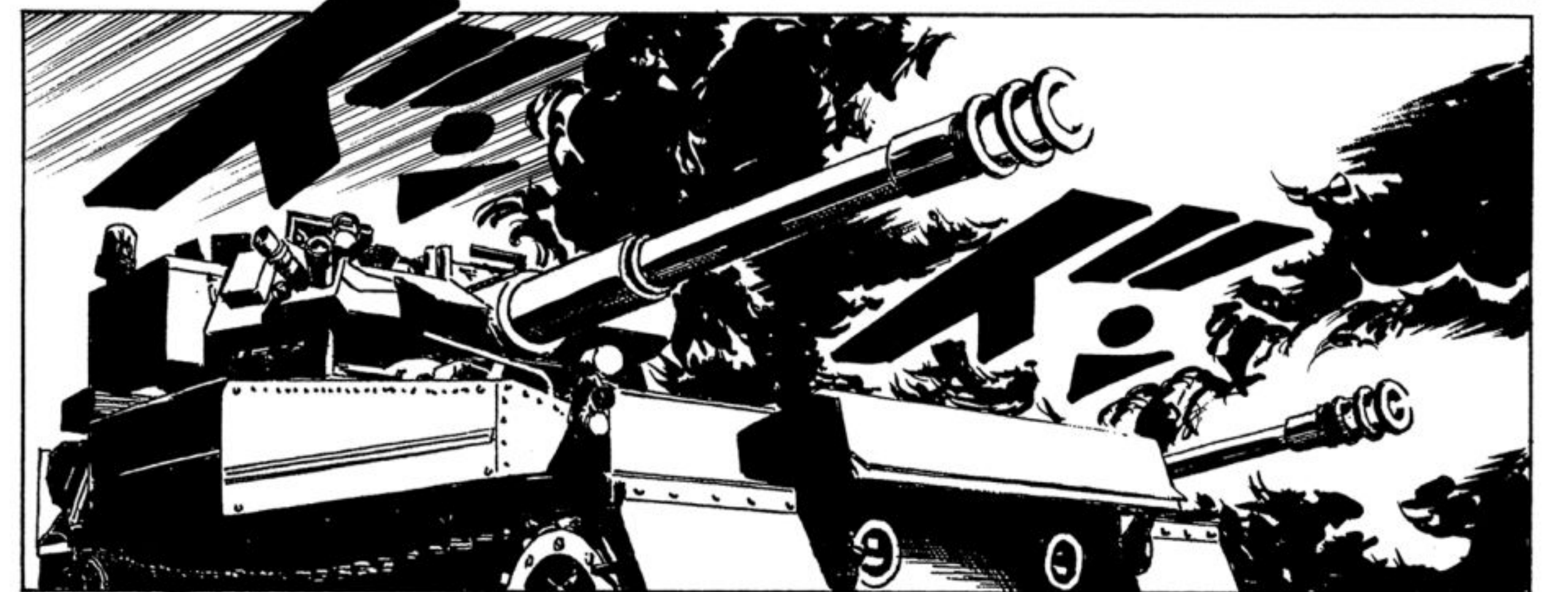
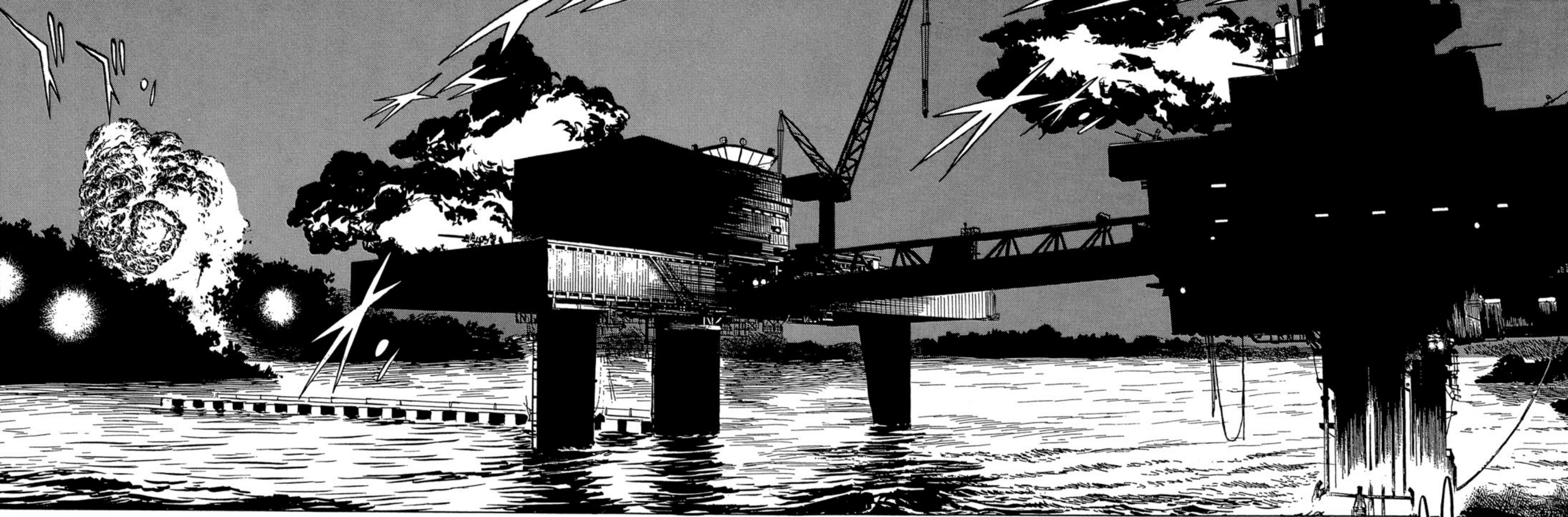
THE EARTH'S
MAGNETIC FIELD IS
GENERATED BY THE
ROTATION OF THE
EARTH'S CORE.

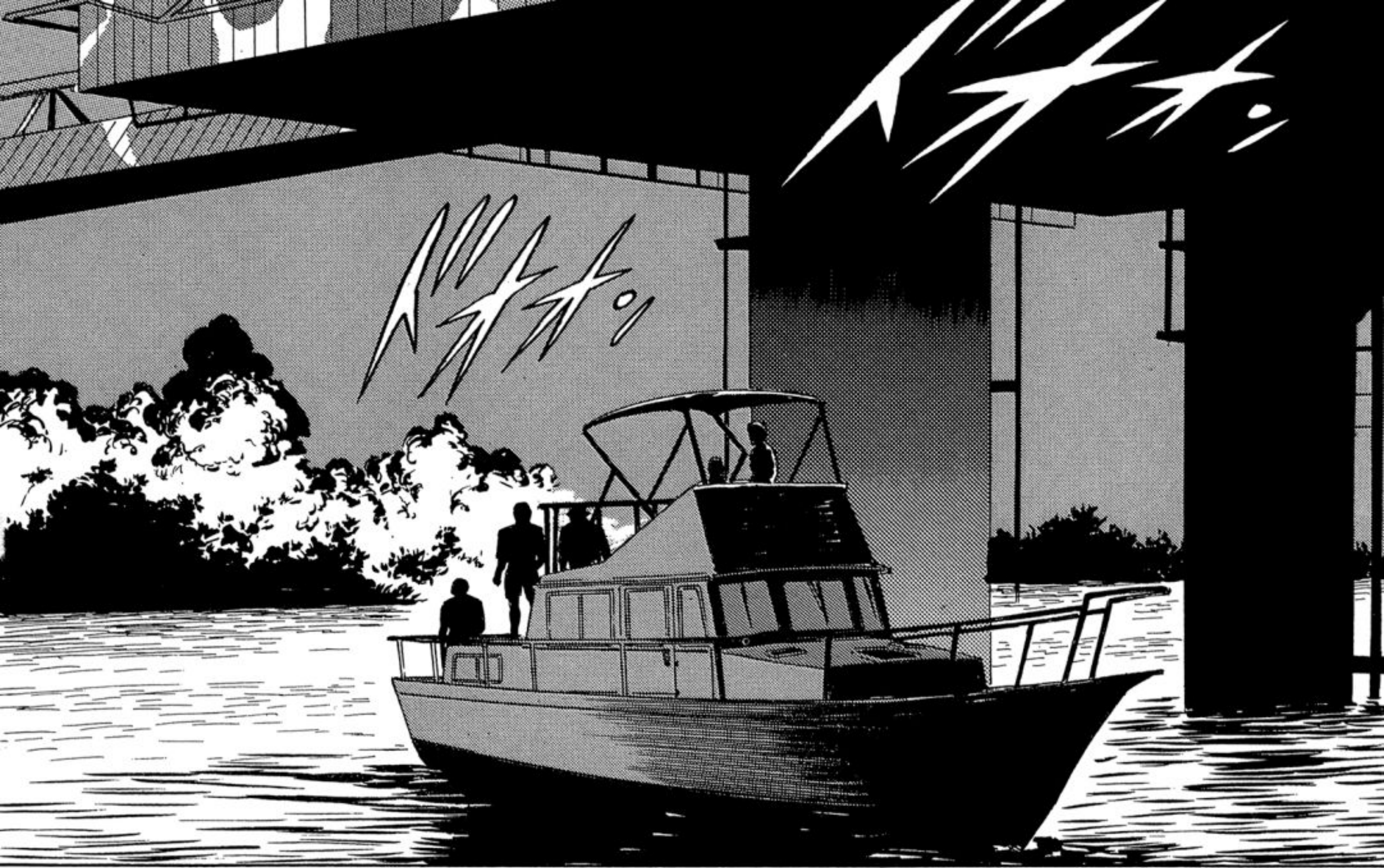


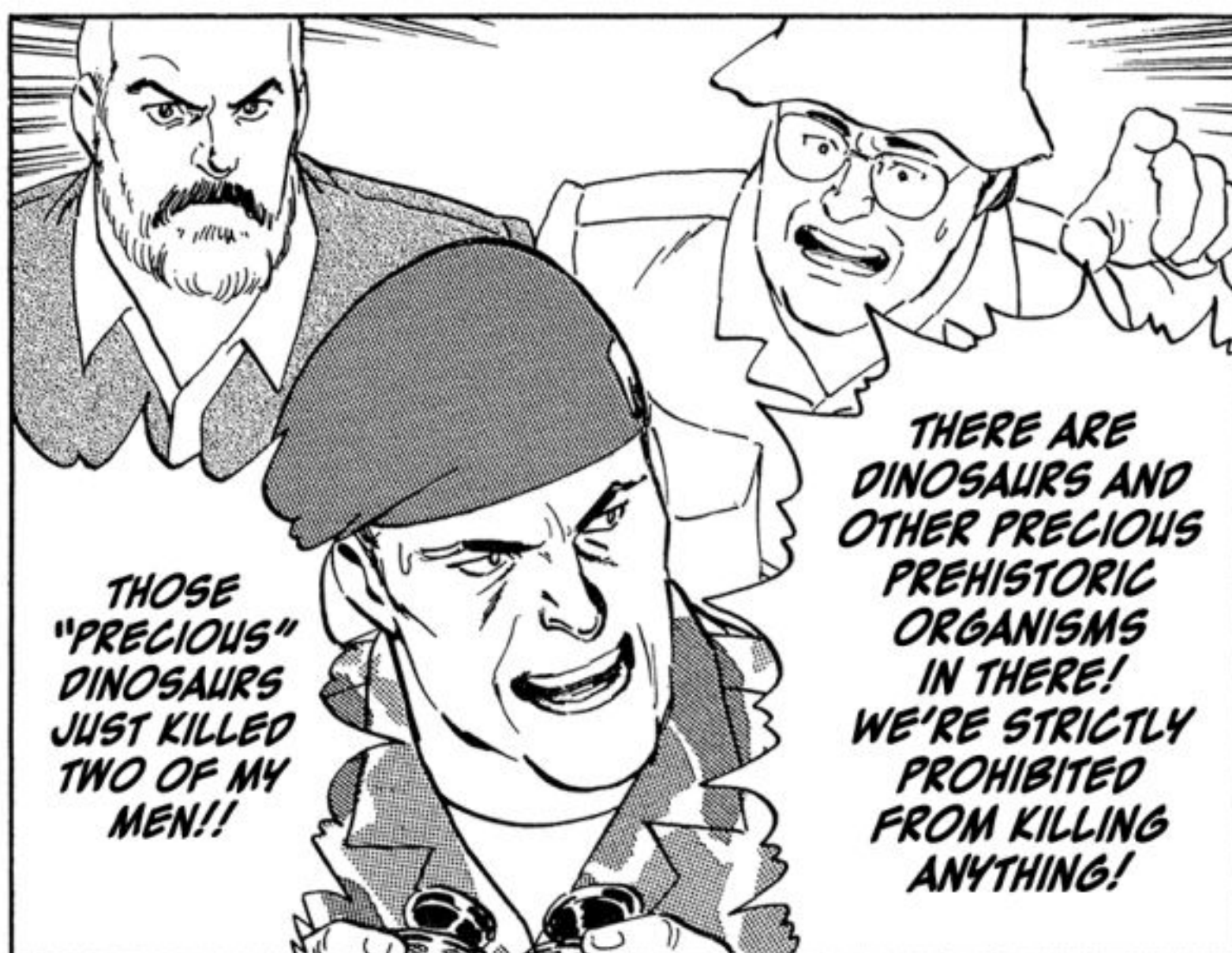
GEOMAG-
NETISM?

NOW YOU'RE
FINALLY ASKING A
QUESTION IN MY FIELD...
I THINK THAT THE GEO-
MAGNETISM IS WEAKER
IN THIS ERA.







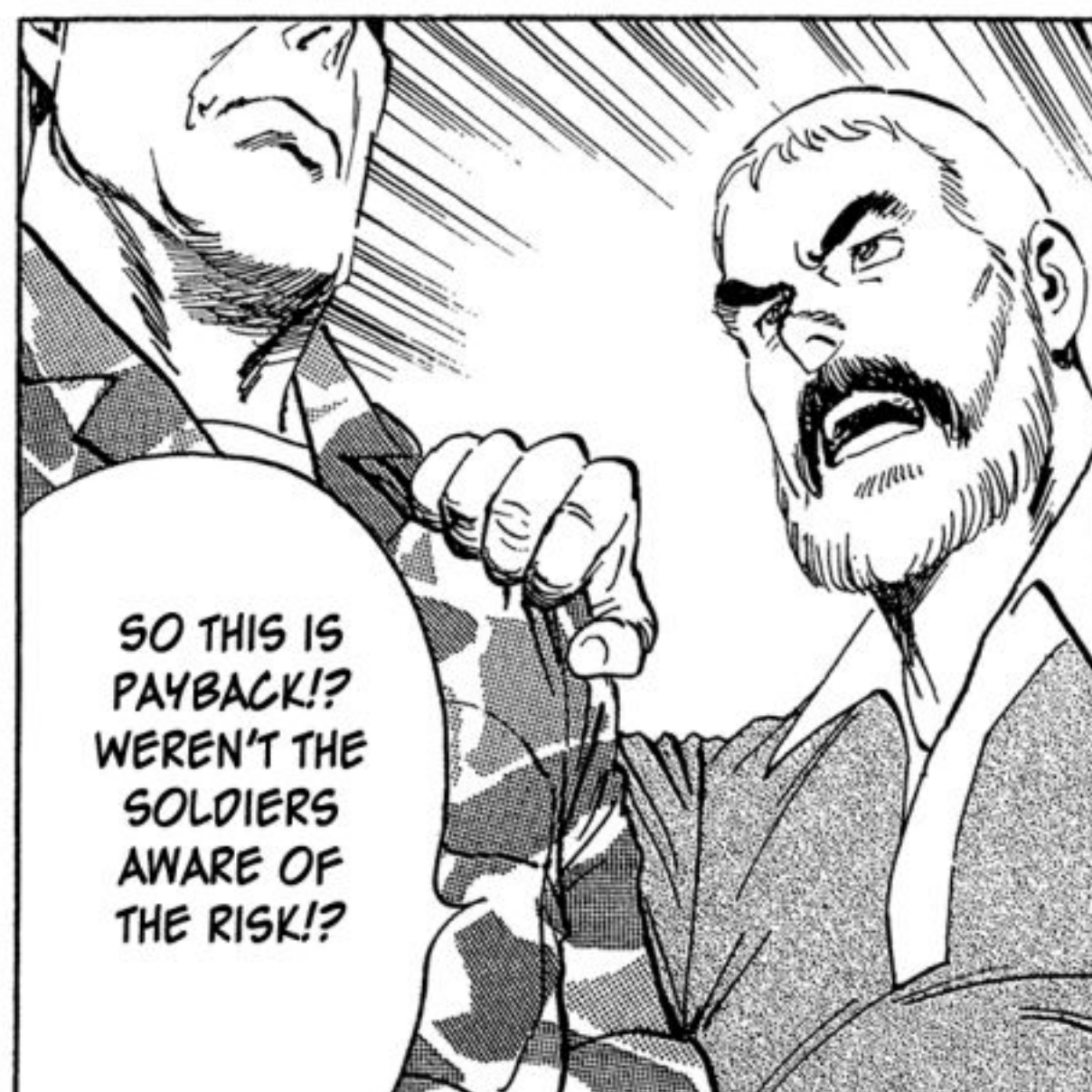


THOSE
"PRECIOUS"
DINOSAURS
JUST KILLED
TWO OF MY
MEN!!

THERE ARE
DINOSAURS AND
OTHER PRECIOUS
PREHISTORIC
ORGANISMS
IN THERE!
WE'RE STRICTLY
PROHIBITED
FROM KILLING
ANYTHING!



WE
CAN'T SUFFER
ANY FURTHER
CASUALTIES IN
THE LANDING
PROCESS!
IT'LL AFFECT
OUR MORALE!



SO THIS IS
PAYBACK!?
WEREN'T THE
SOLDIERS
AWARE OF
THE RISK!?



DO THOSE
LIZARDS' LIVES
MATTER MORE
THAN HUMAN LIVES,
PROFESSOR? YOU
HAVE NO RIGHT TO
INTERFERE WITH
MY OPERATION!

BUT THERE
ARE OTHER
WAYS! THIS
IS JUST AN
ATROCITY!

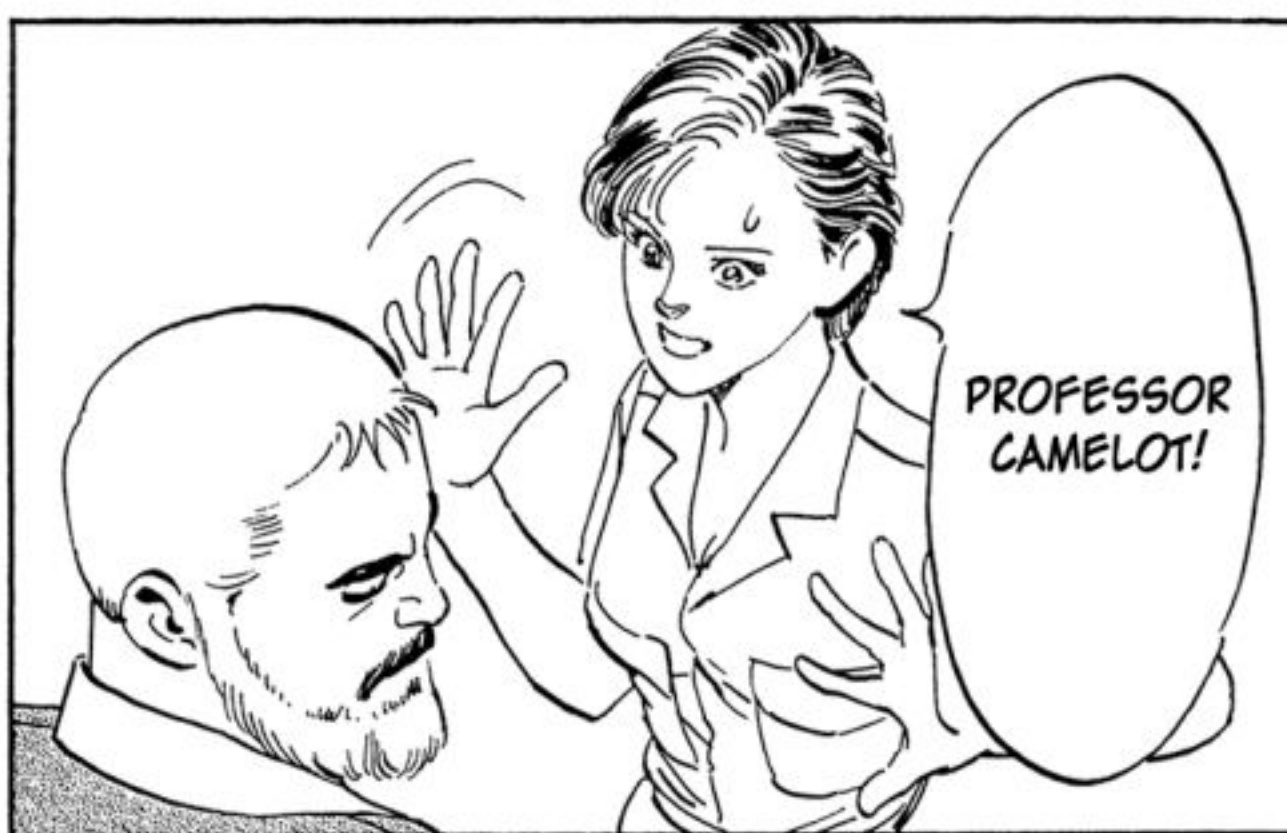


SORRY.
I'LL GO TAKE
A LOOK AT THE
GEOMAGNETISM
MEASUREMENTS.
SOMETHING
ABOUT THEM
BOTHERS
ME...

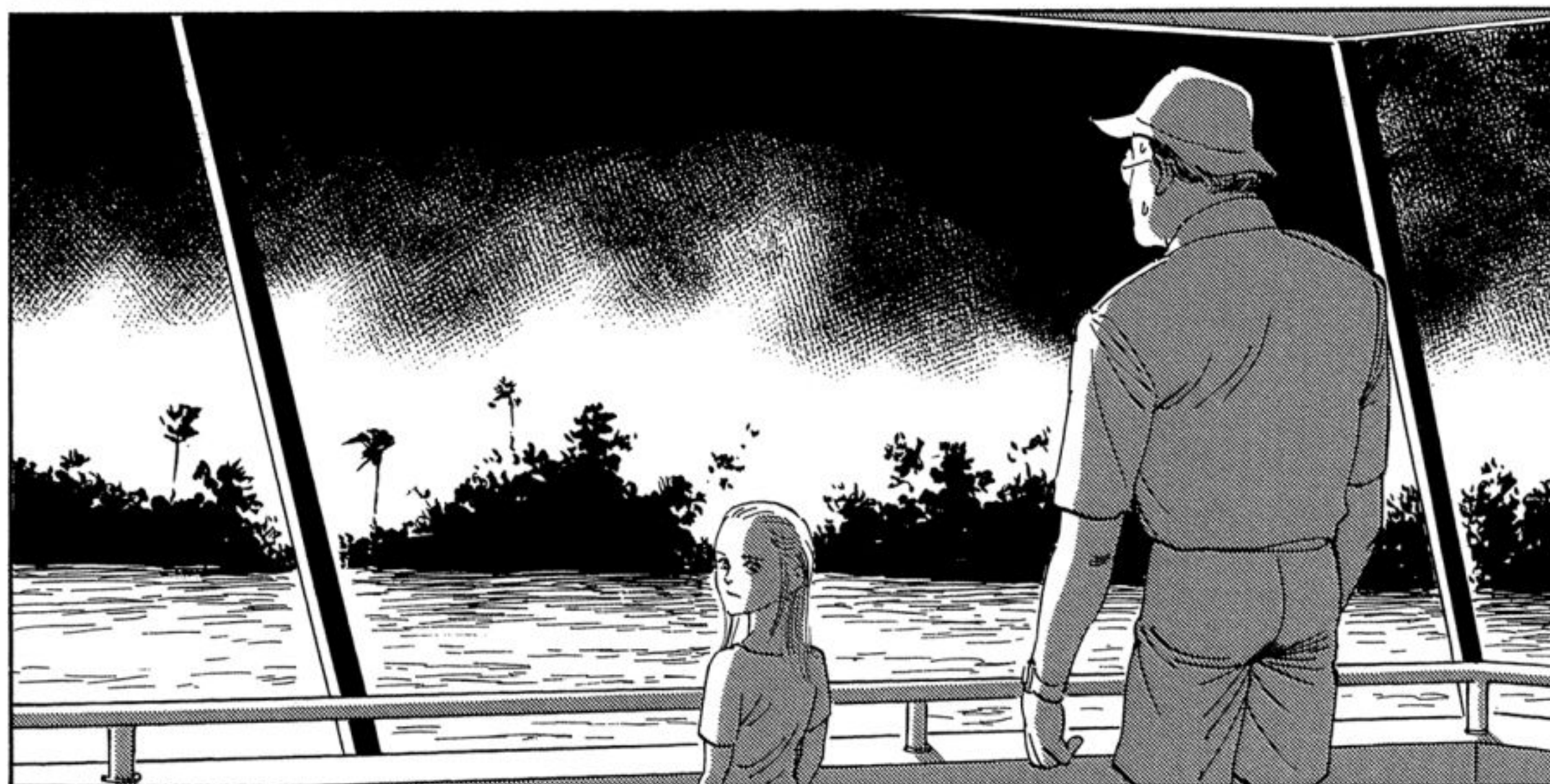


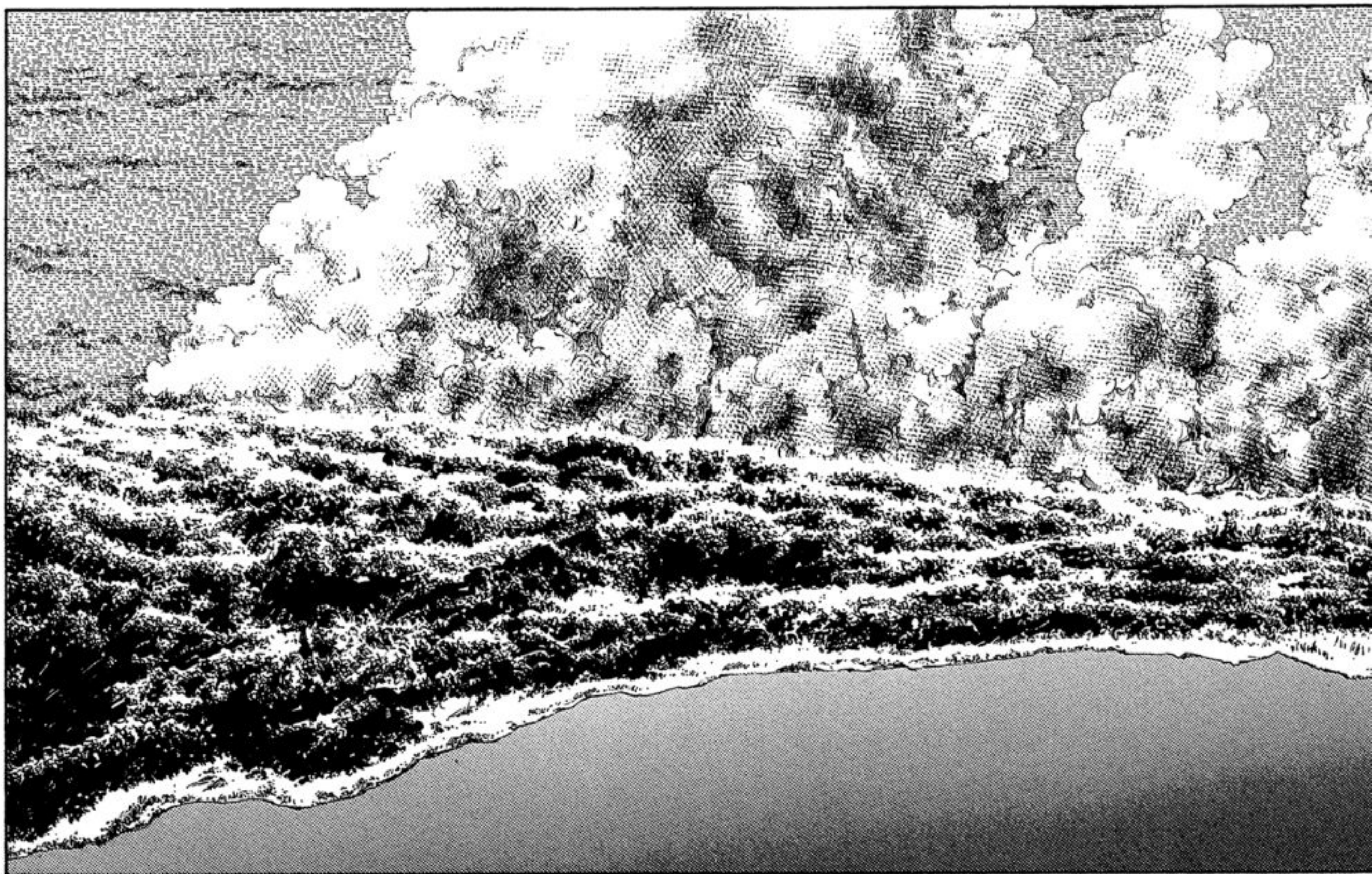
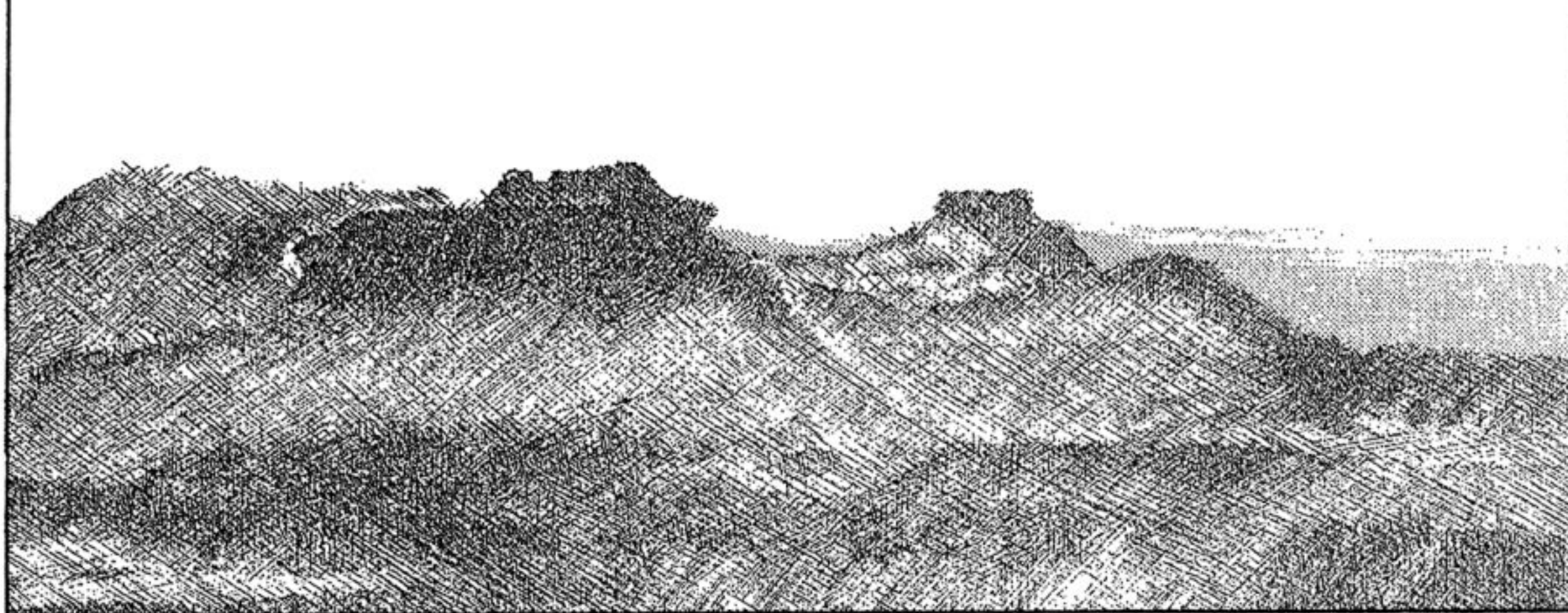
W... WHAT
THE HELL
DO YOU
MEAN BY
THAT!?

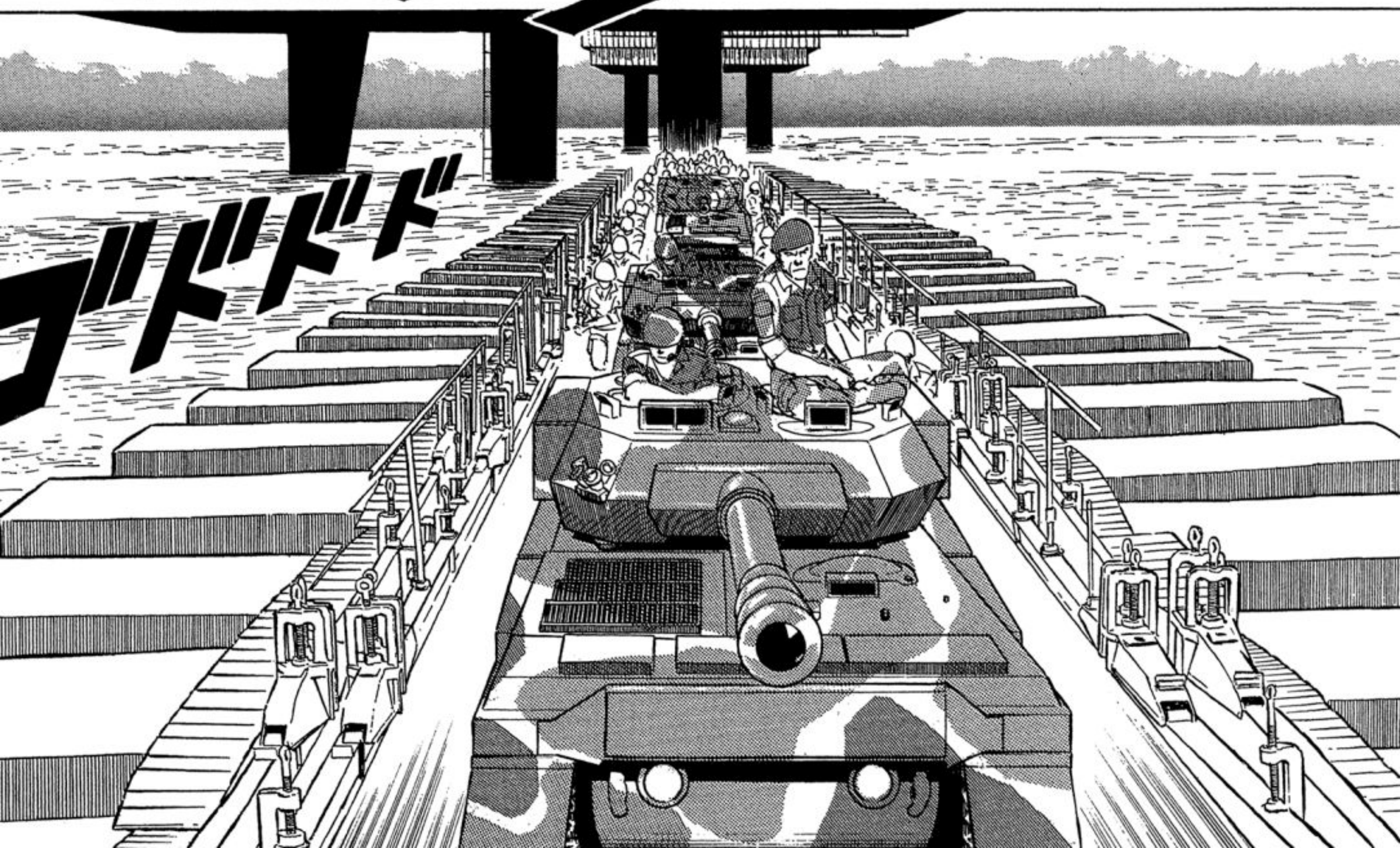
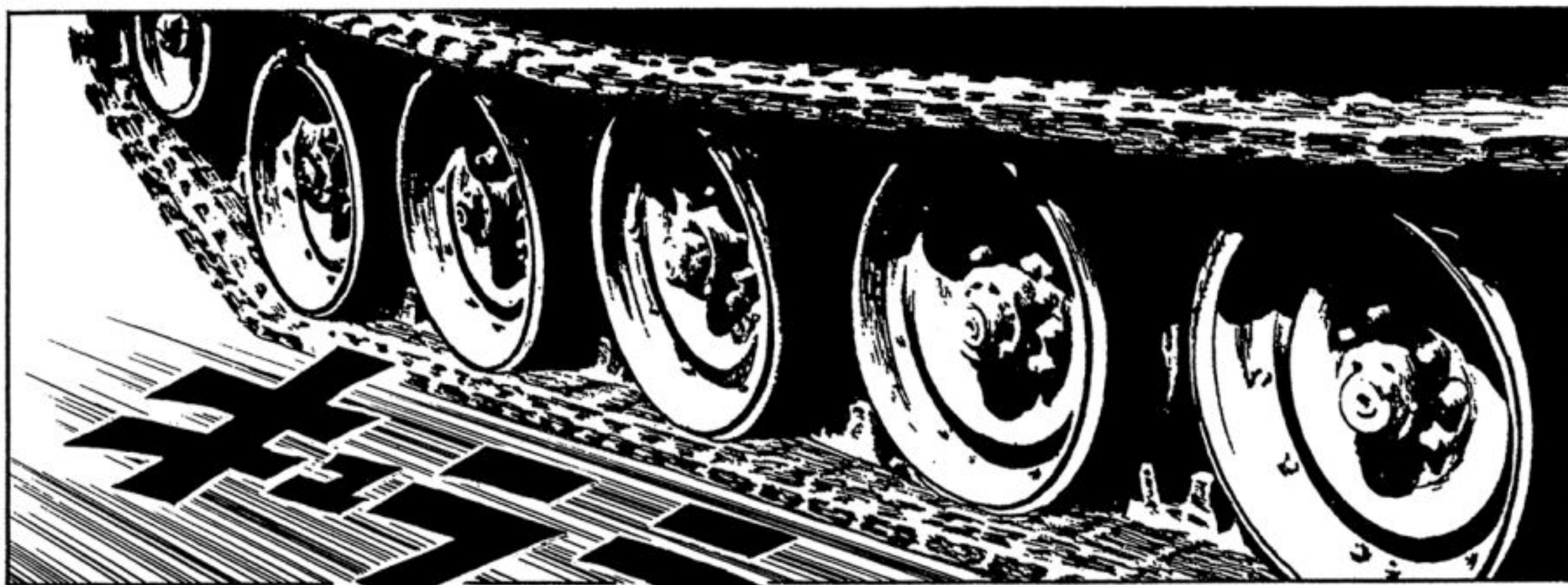
WELL,
ISN'T THAT
CONVENIENT
FOR YOU,
GENERAL?

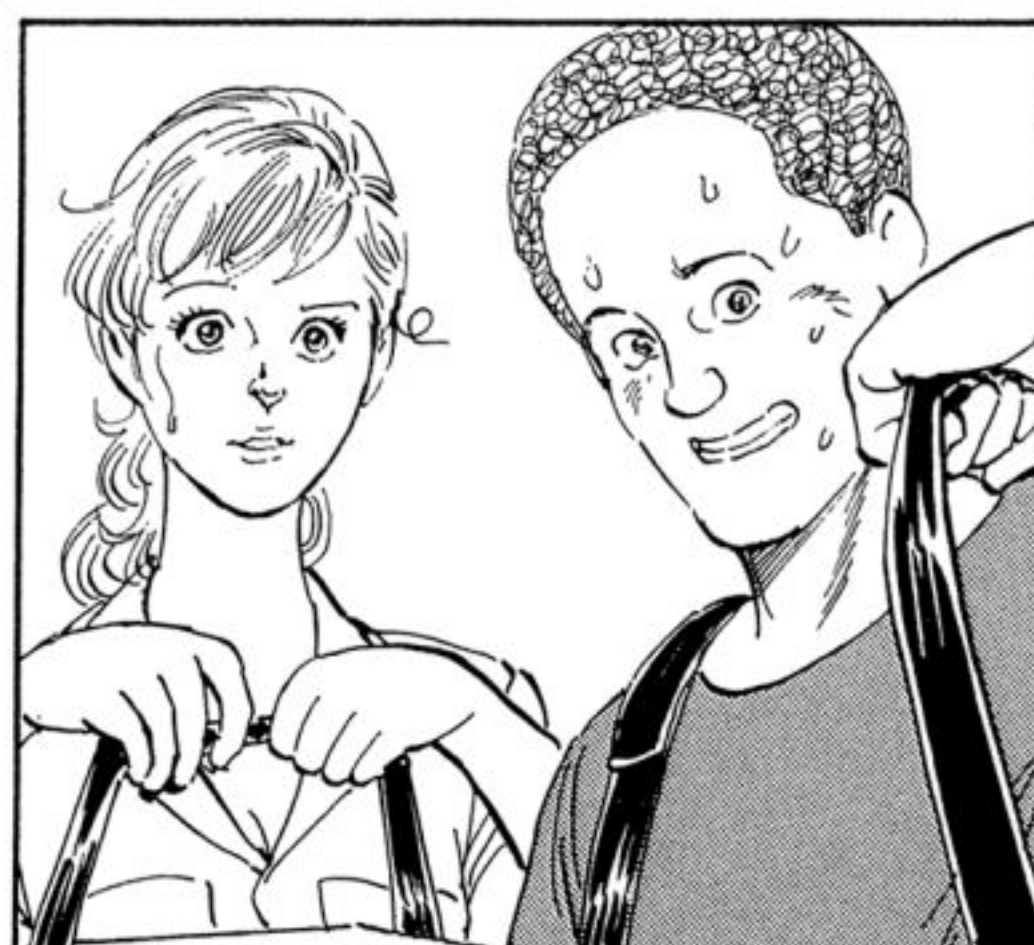
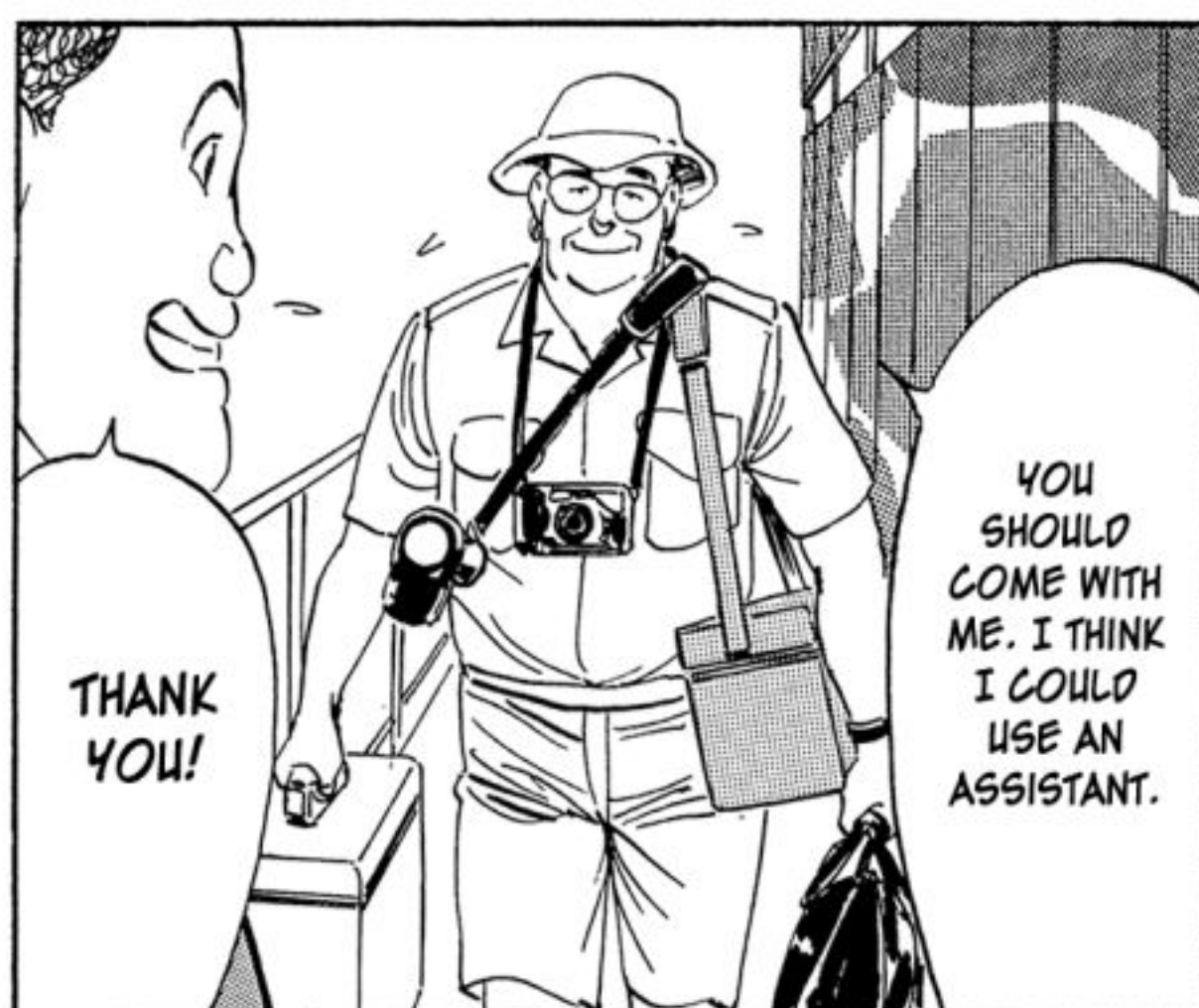


PROFESSOR
CAMELOT!













Chapter 4

The Explosion



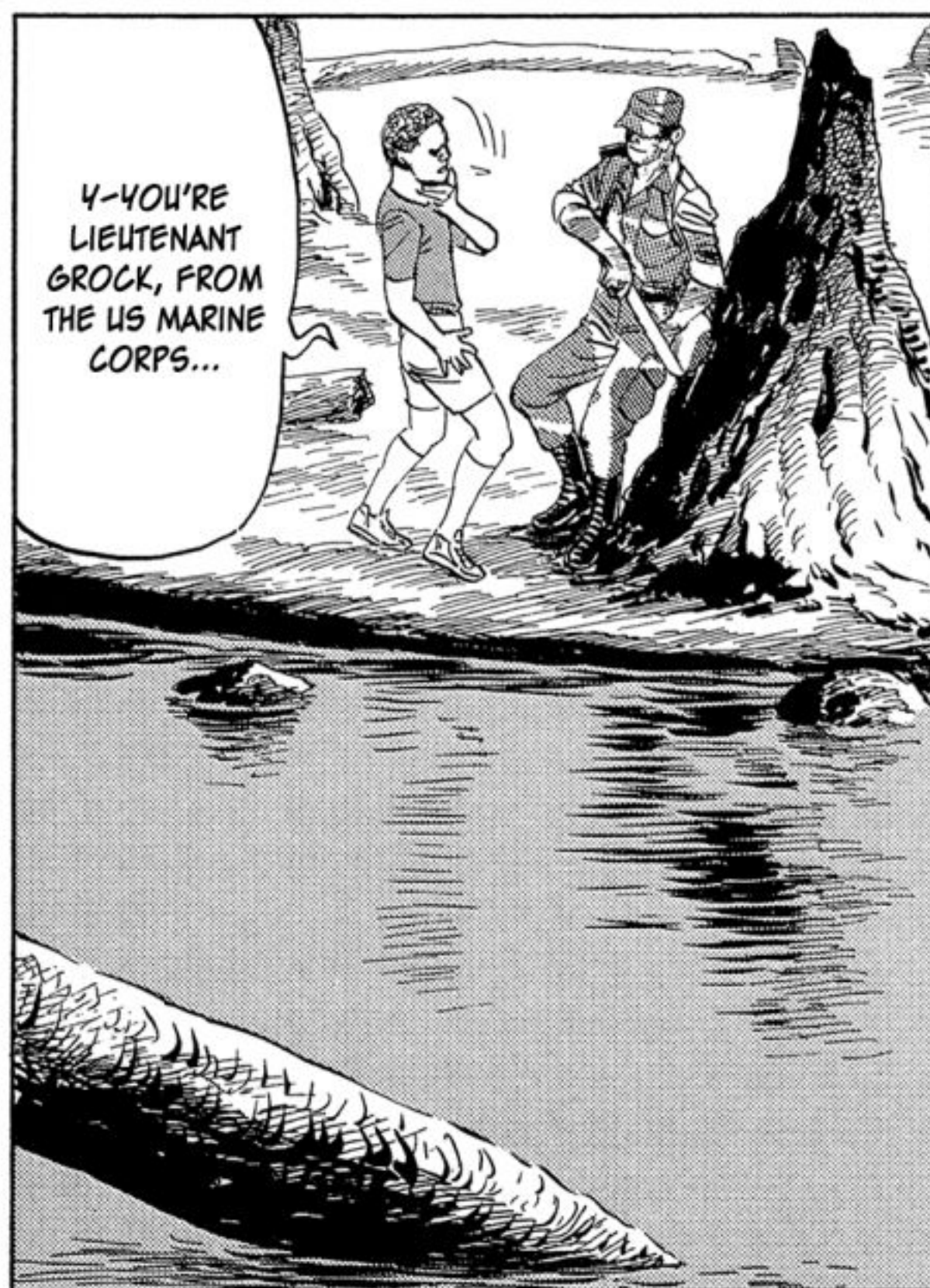
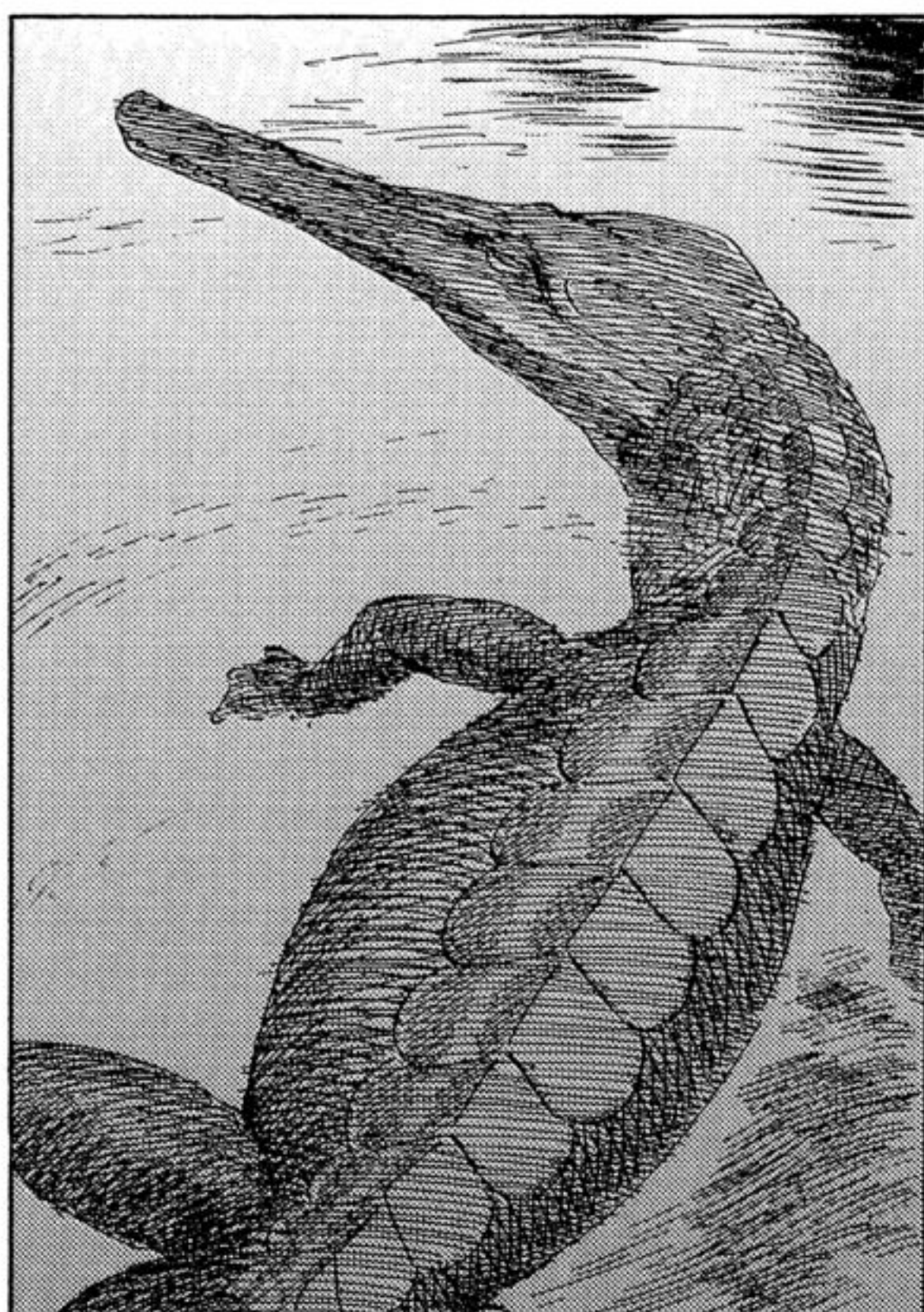
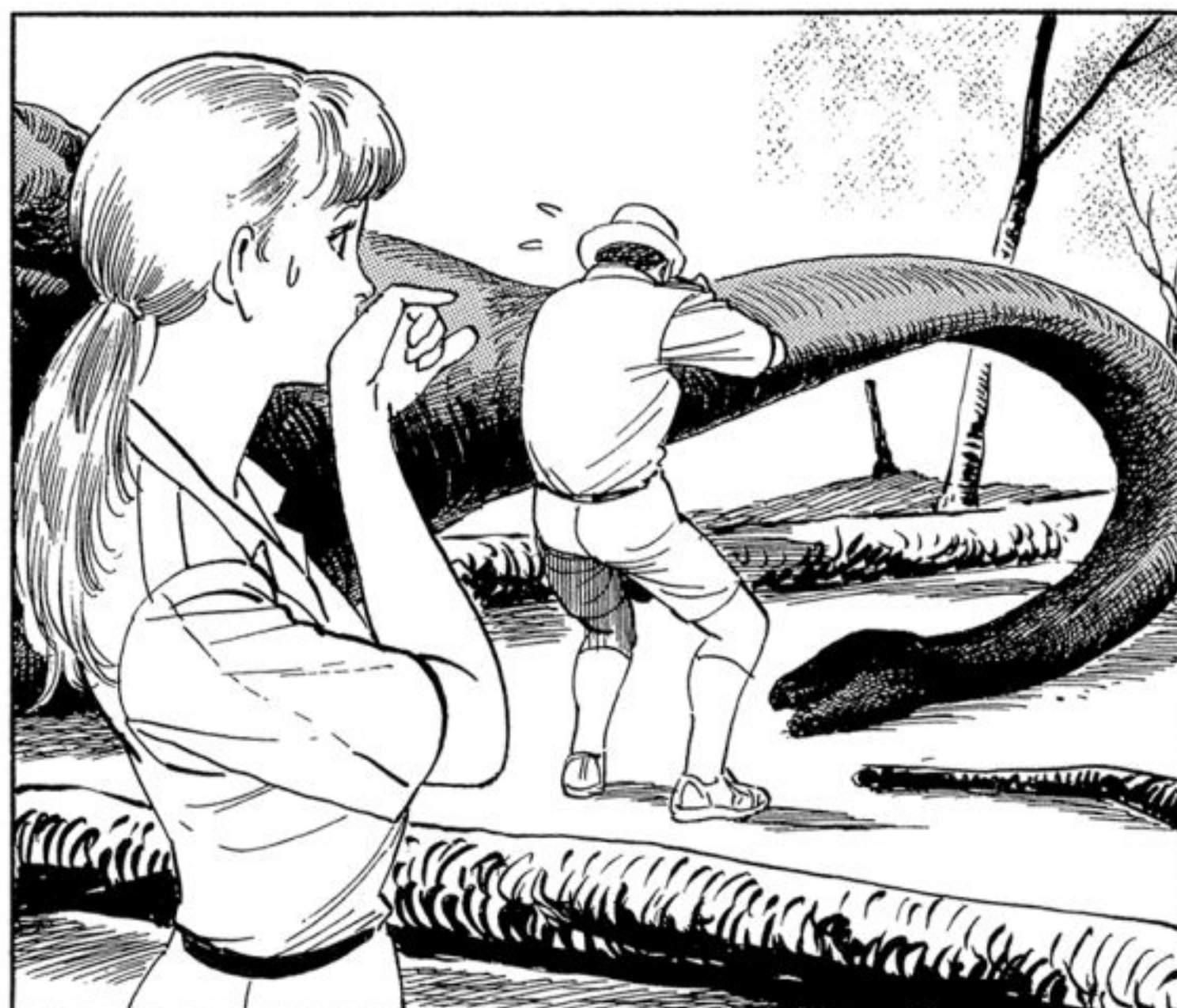


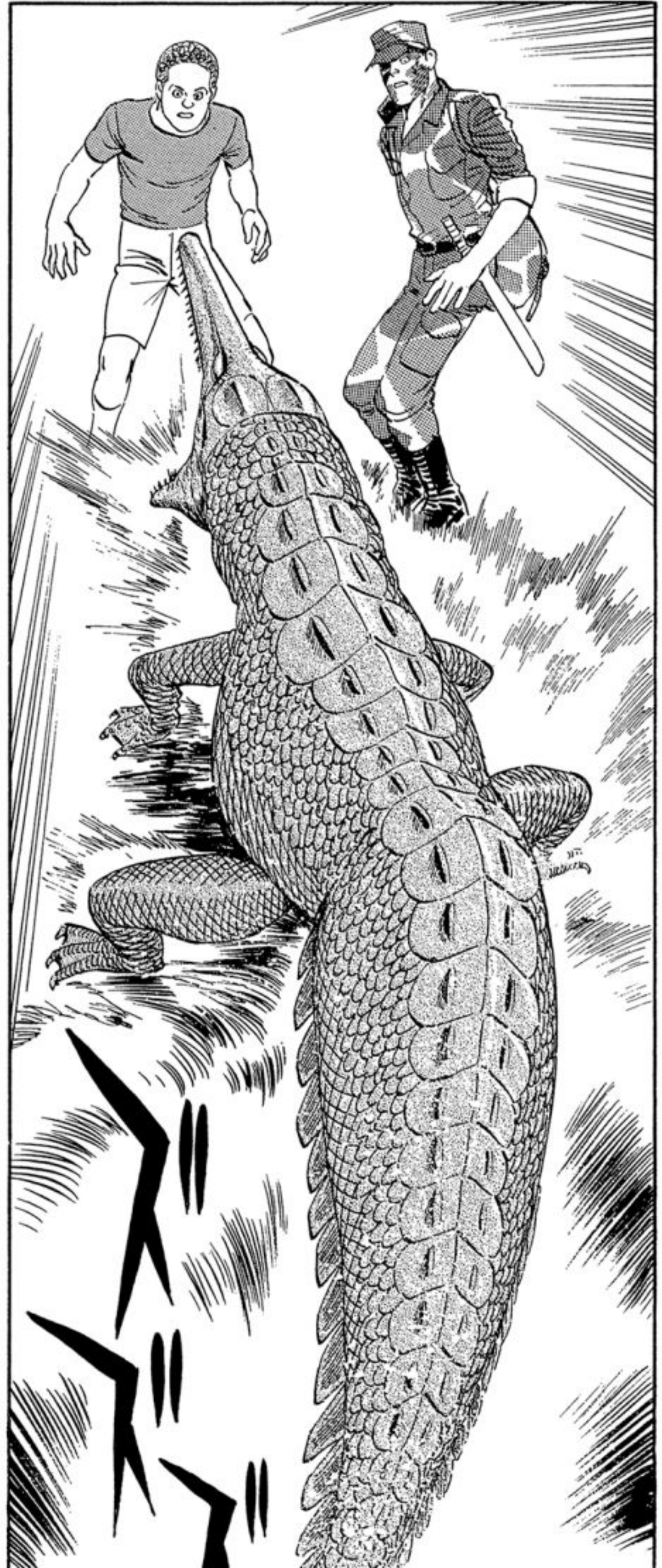
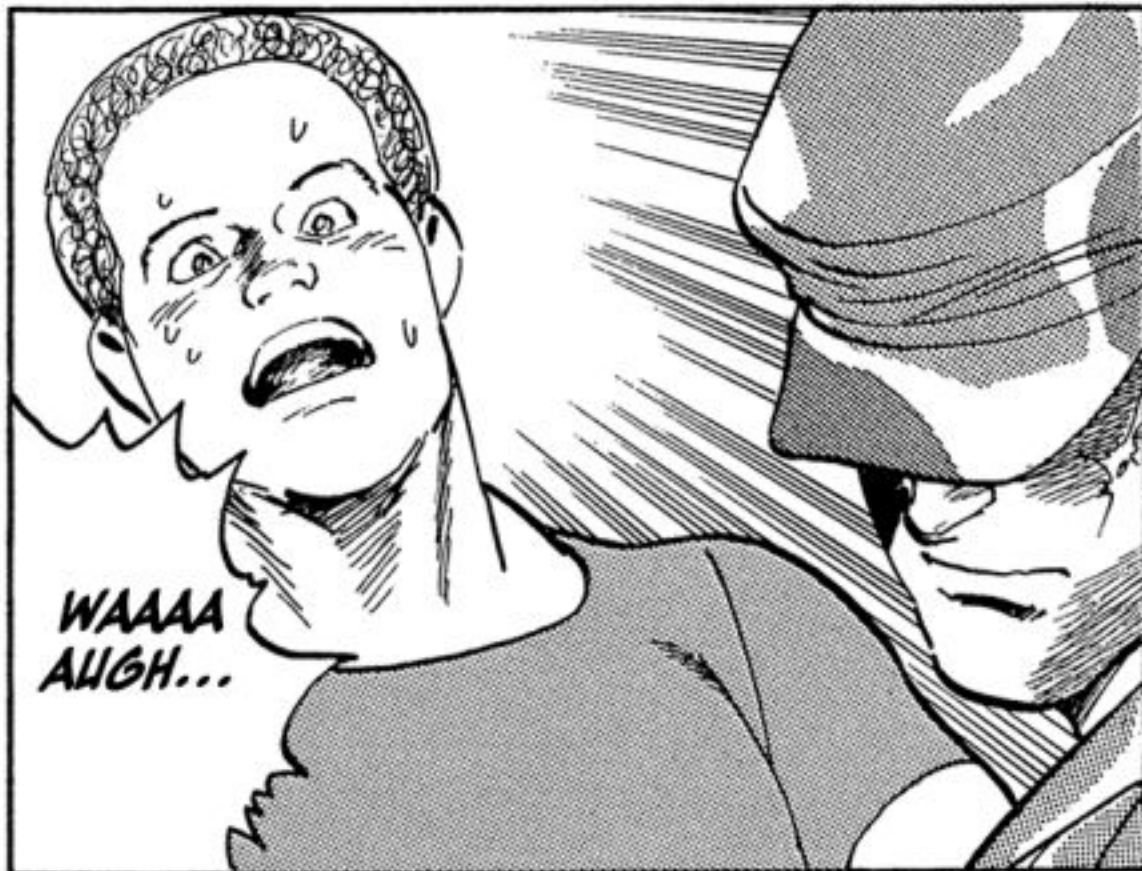


I... IT'S
A SAUROPOD.
COULD BE A
BAROSAURUS,
OF THE
DIPLODOCIDAE
FAMILY.

IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S
STILL STILL SMALL,
PROBABLY A JUVENILE.
IT MUST'VE BEEN
INJURED AND BURNED
TO DEATH IN THE
BOMBARDMENT...

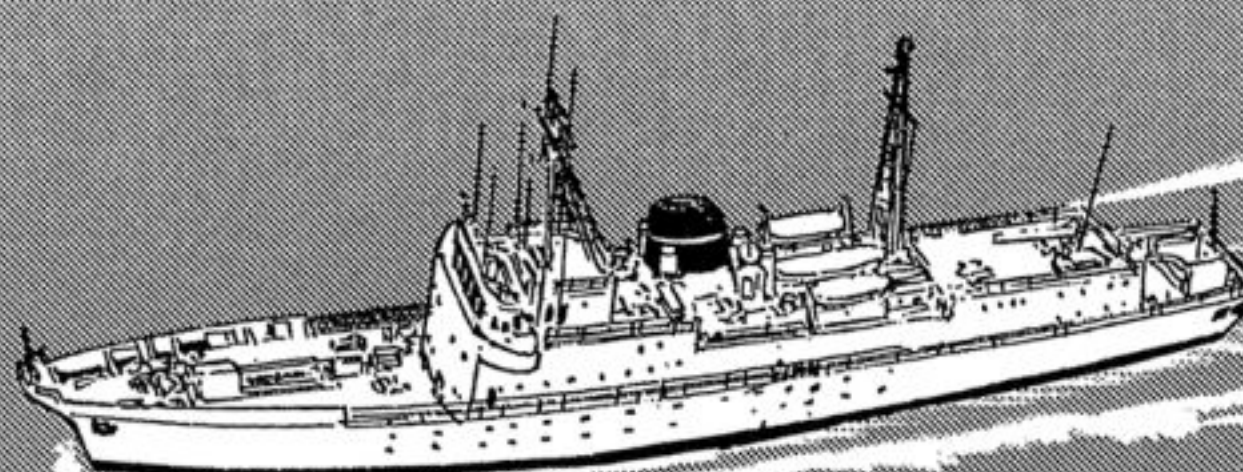








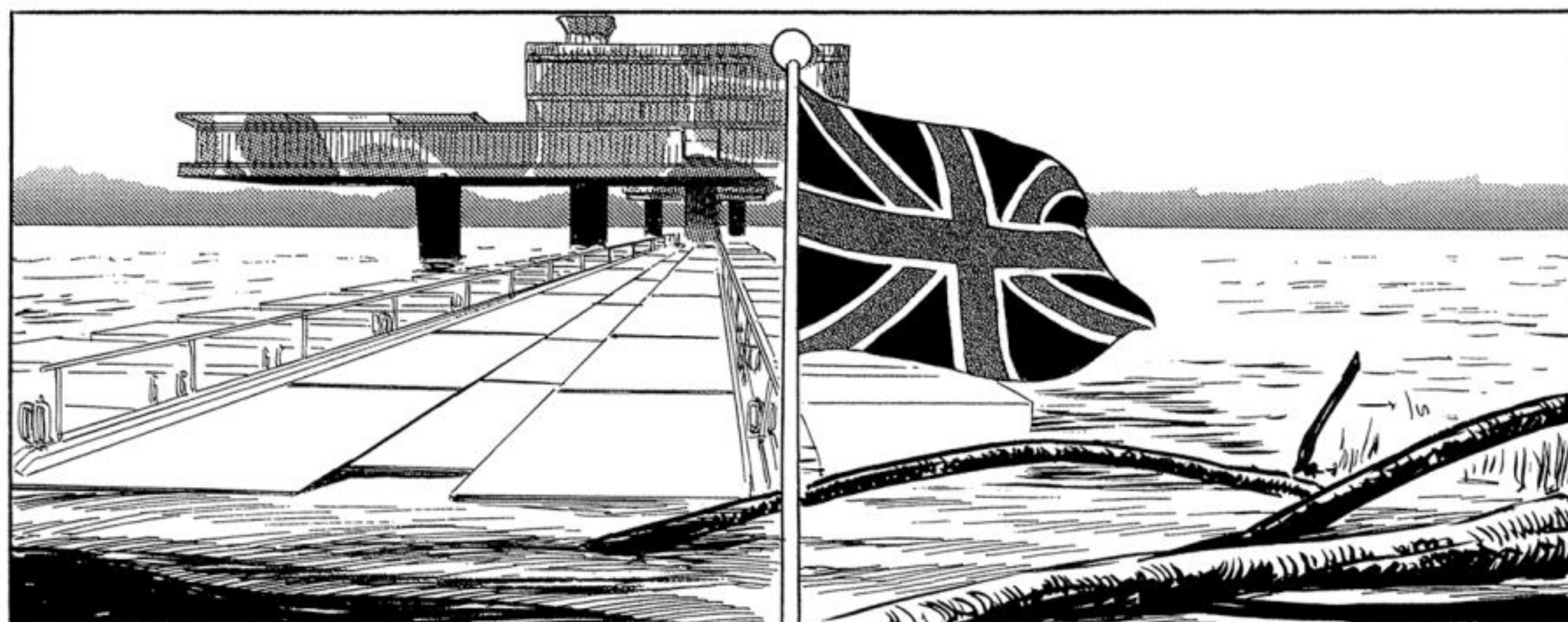
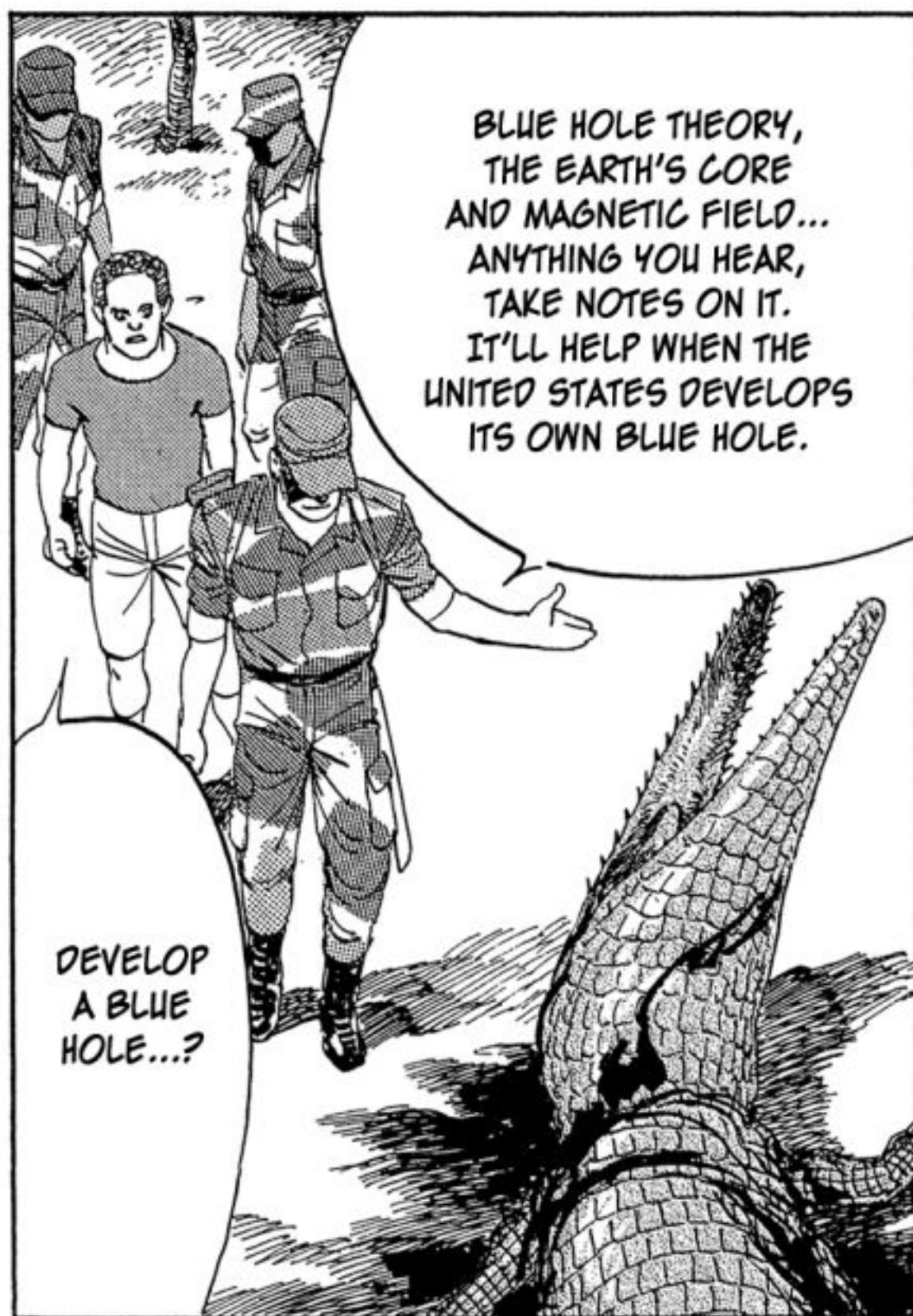
THE UNITED STATES IS
LOOKING FOR A BLUE HOLE
NEAR THEIR OWN WATERS.
IT'LL TAKE SOME TIME
BECAUSE THEY'VE GOT
MORE THAN JUST A LAKE
TO SEARCH, BUT THEY'LL
FIND IT EVENTUALLY.

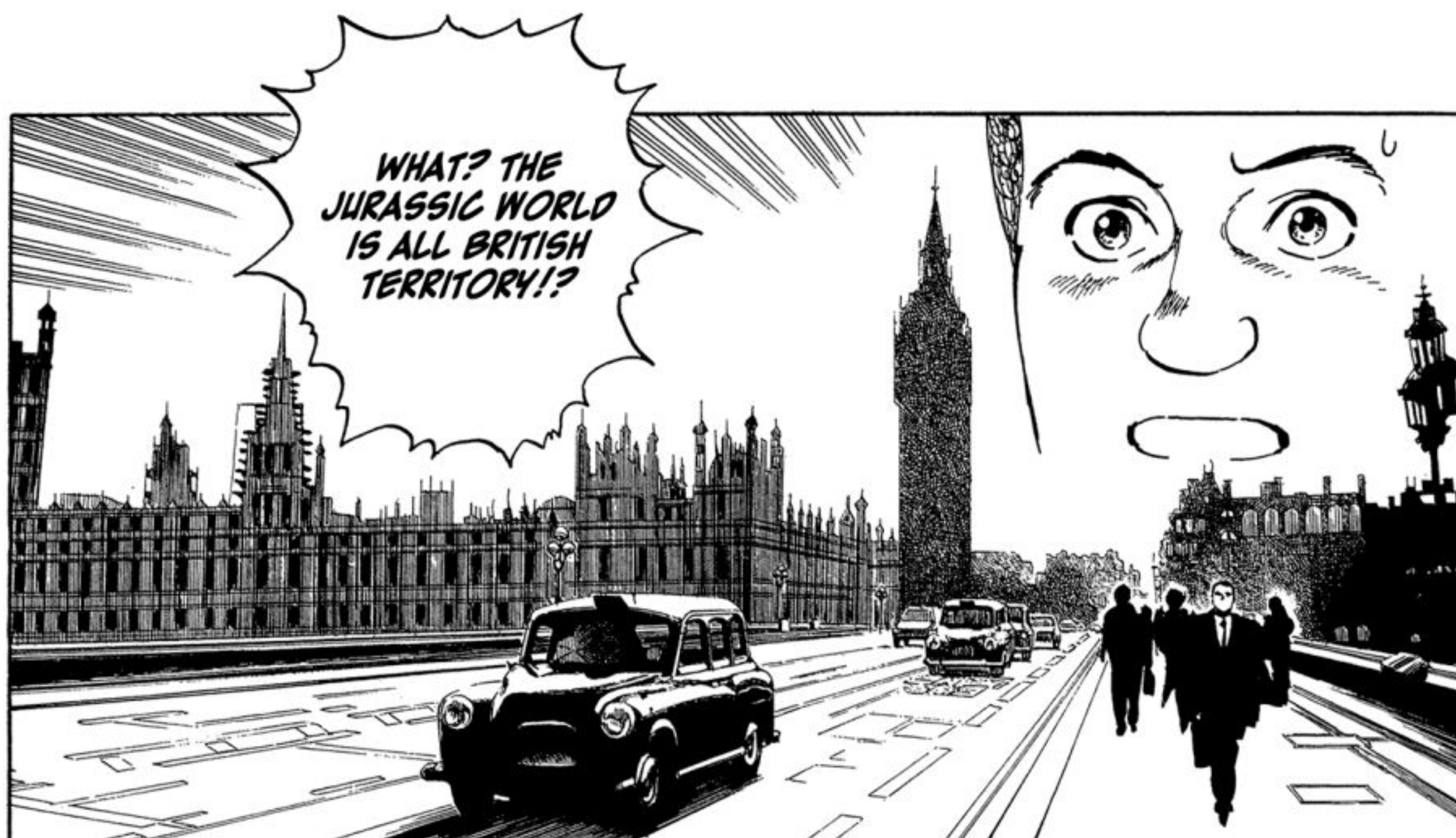


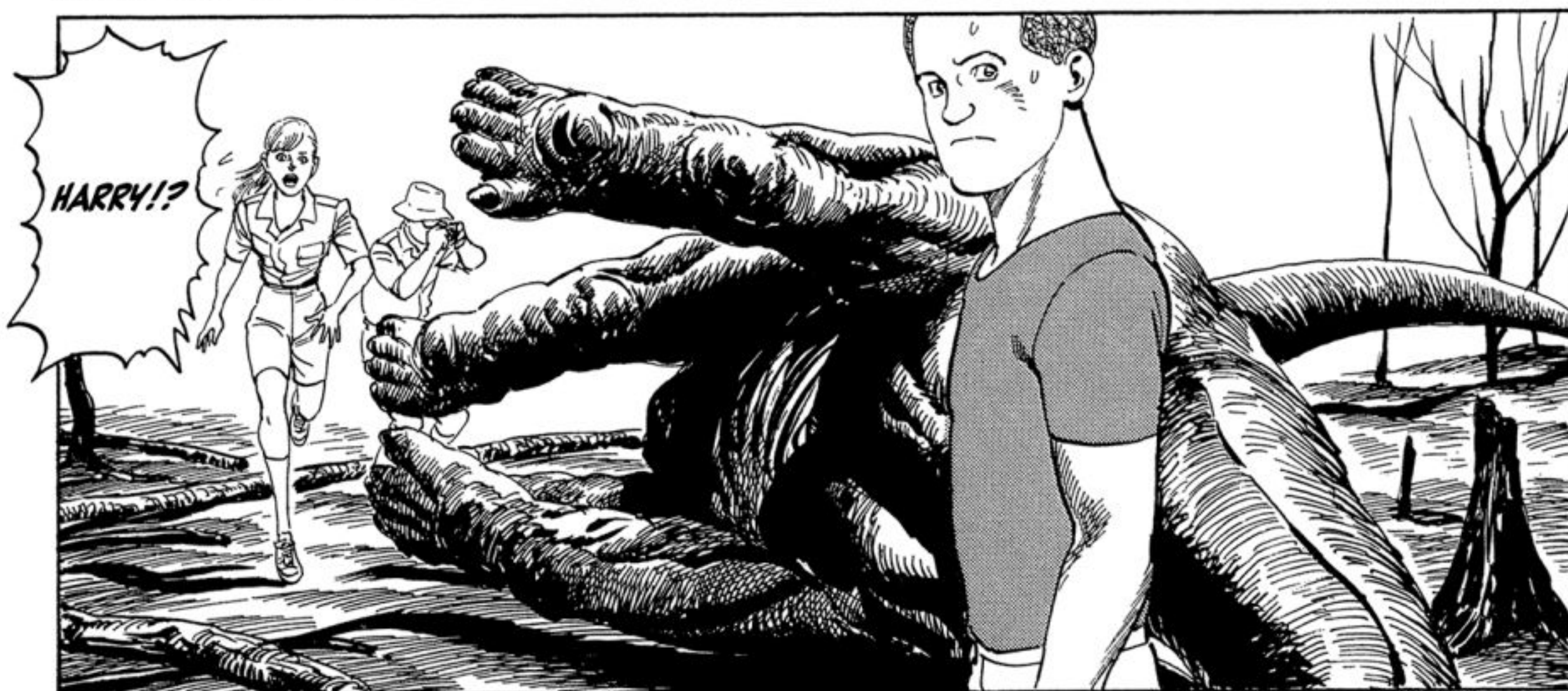
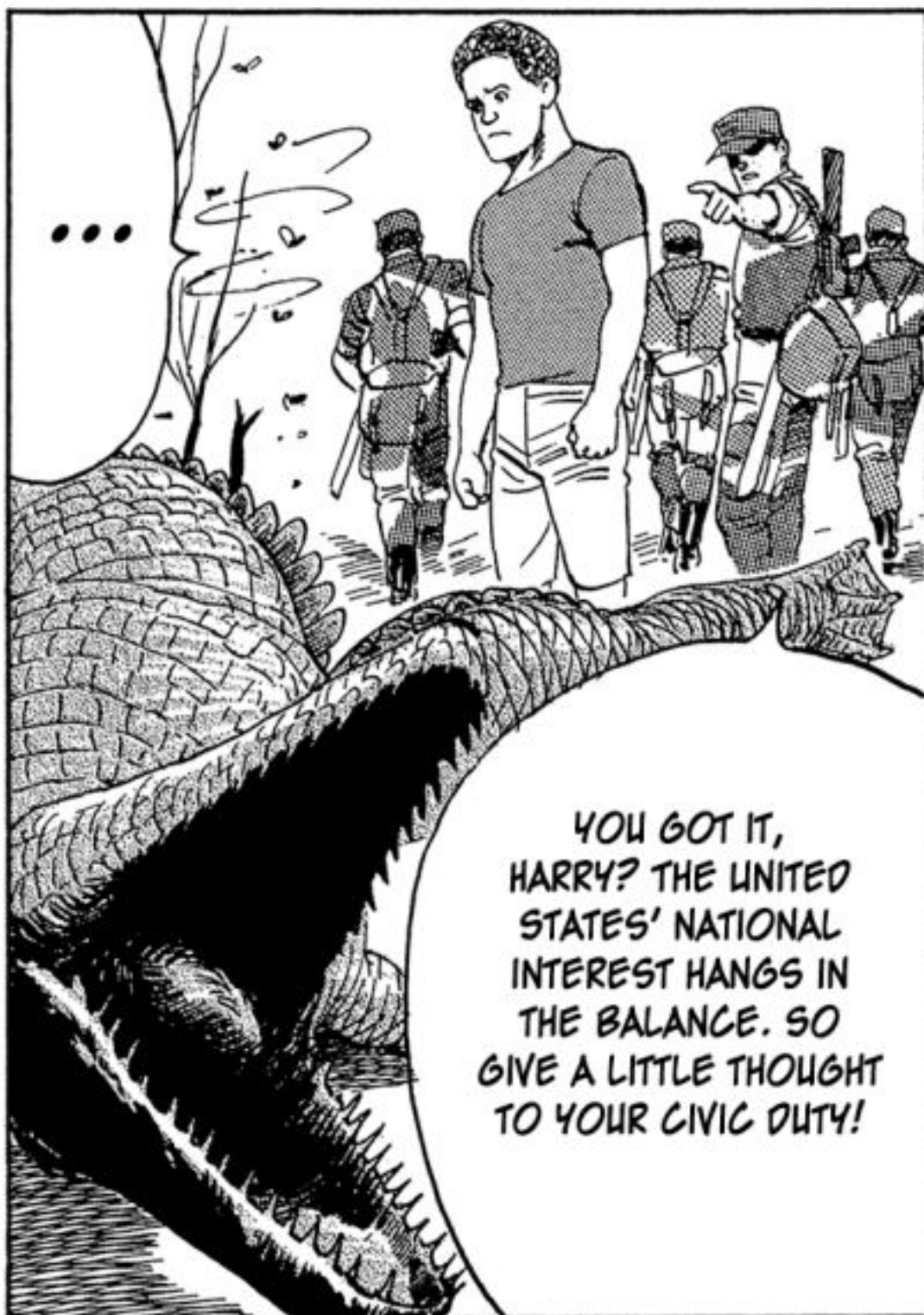
ON THE OTHER
HAND, YOU'RE
AN ORDINARY
AMERICAN,
AND A PETTY
JOURNALIST
AT THAT. NOW
LISTEN UP...

US NAVY
SEALS.
THEY'RE NO
ORDINARY
MARINES.

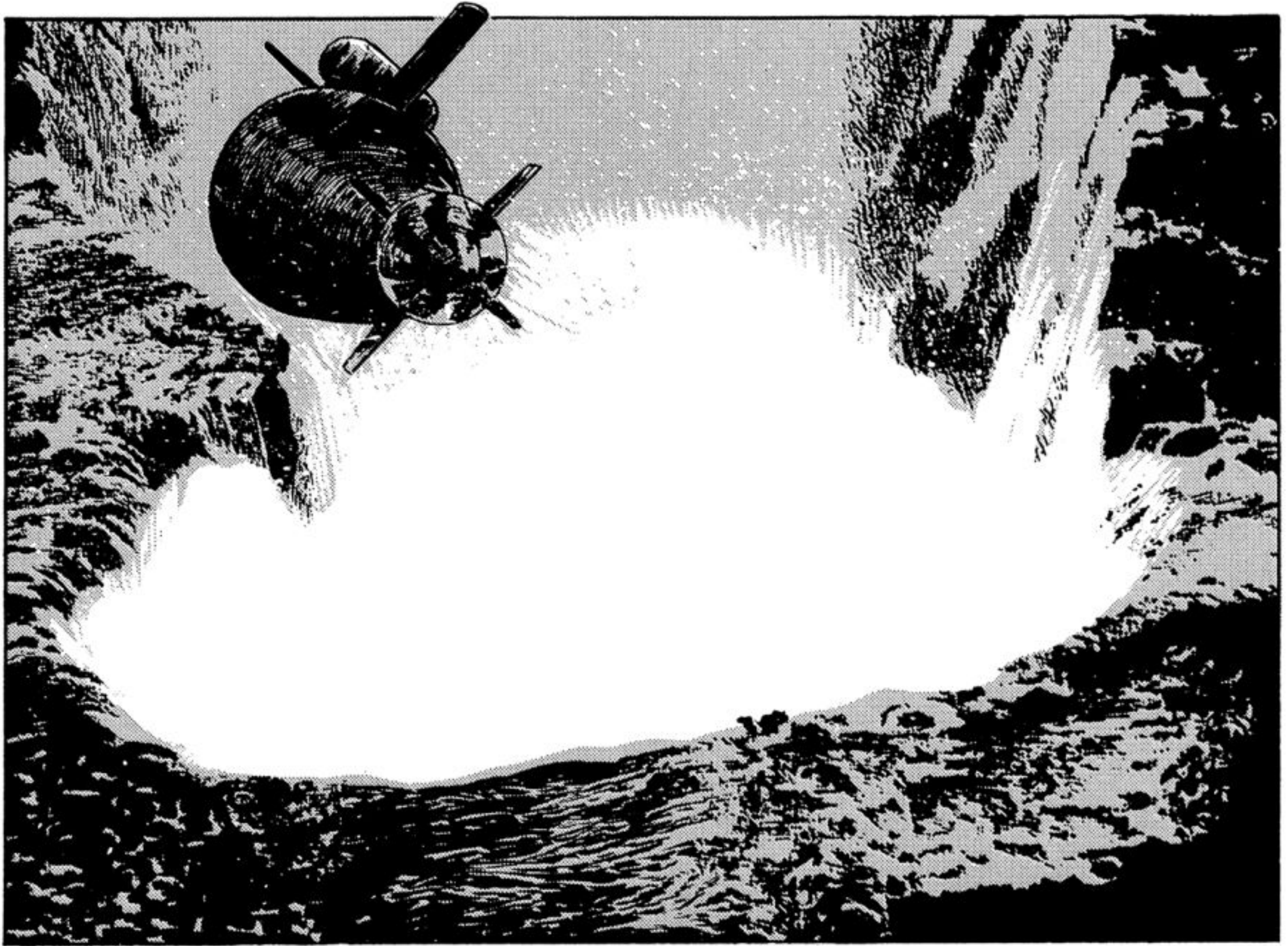


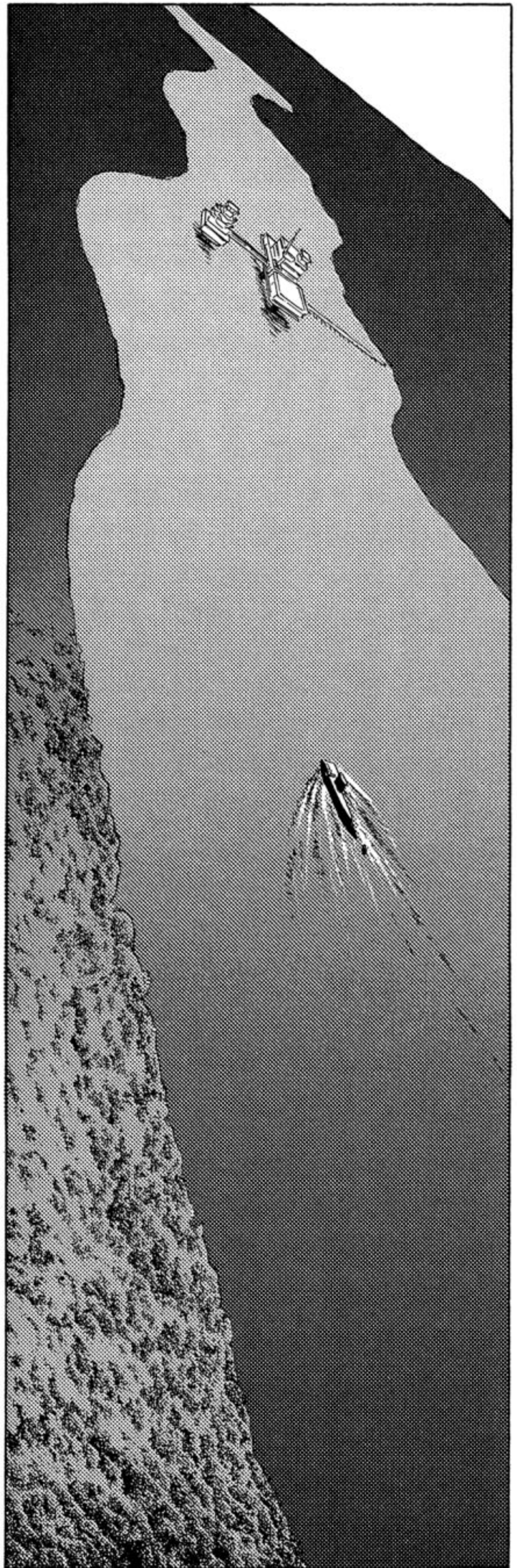
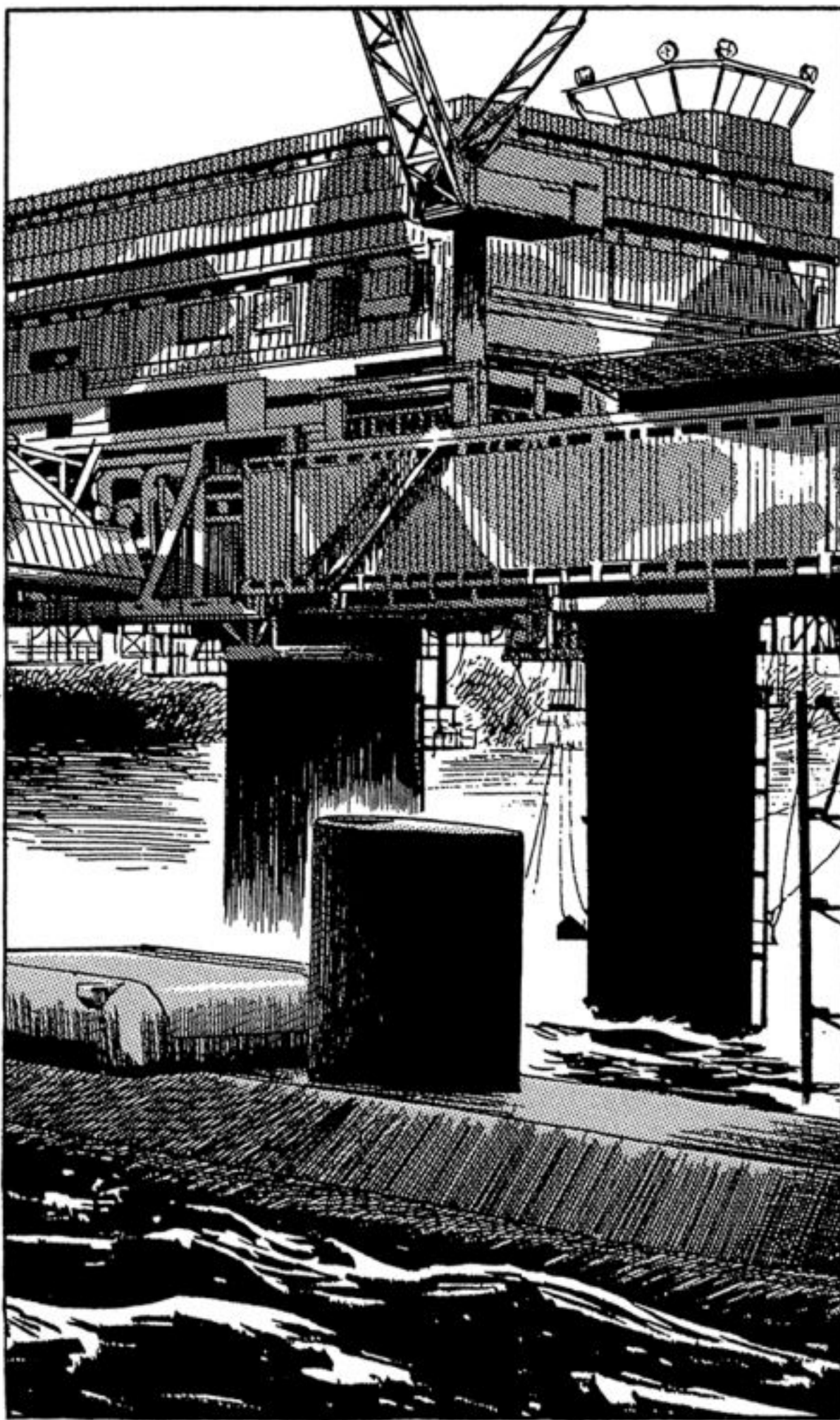


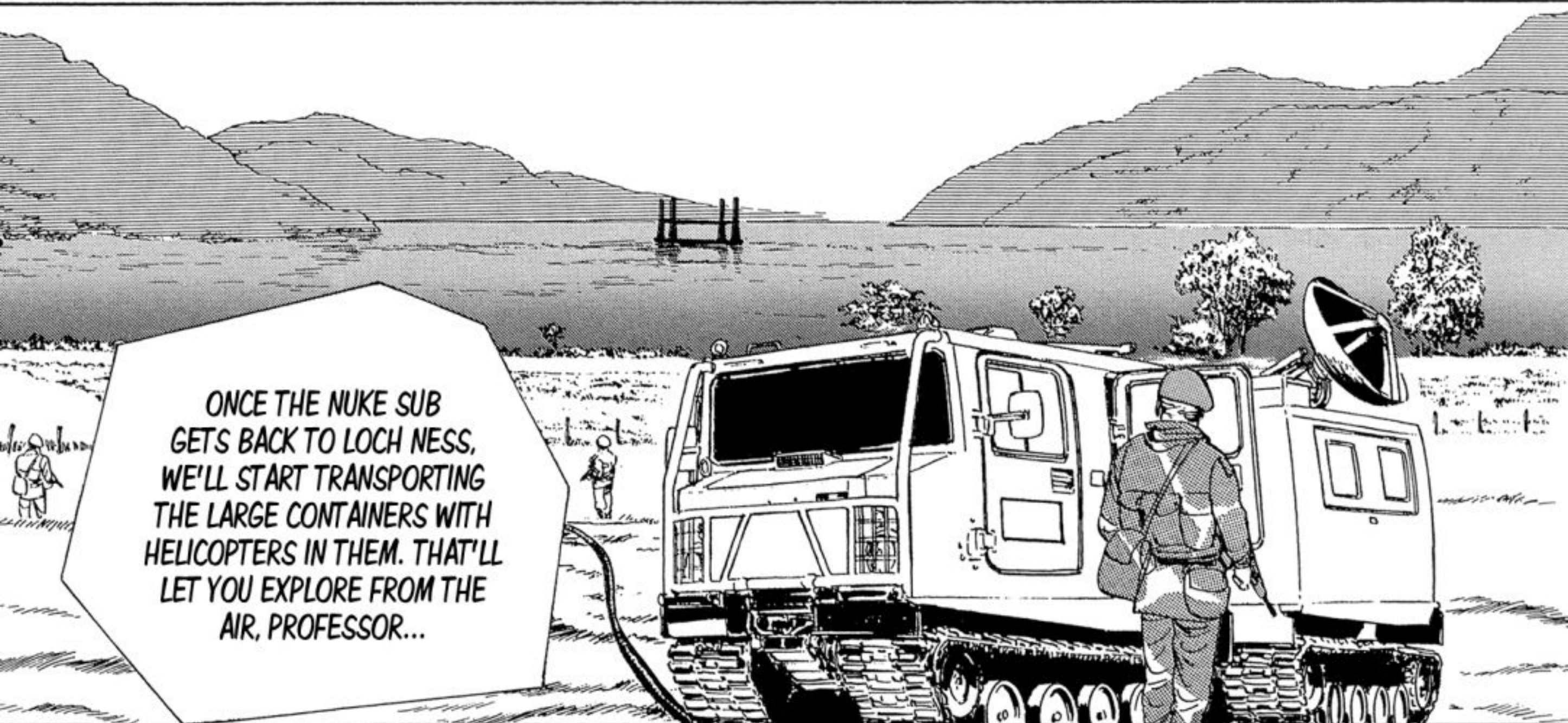












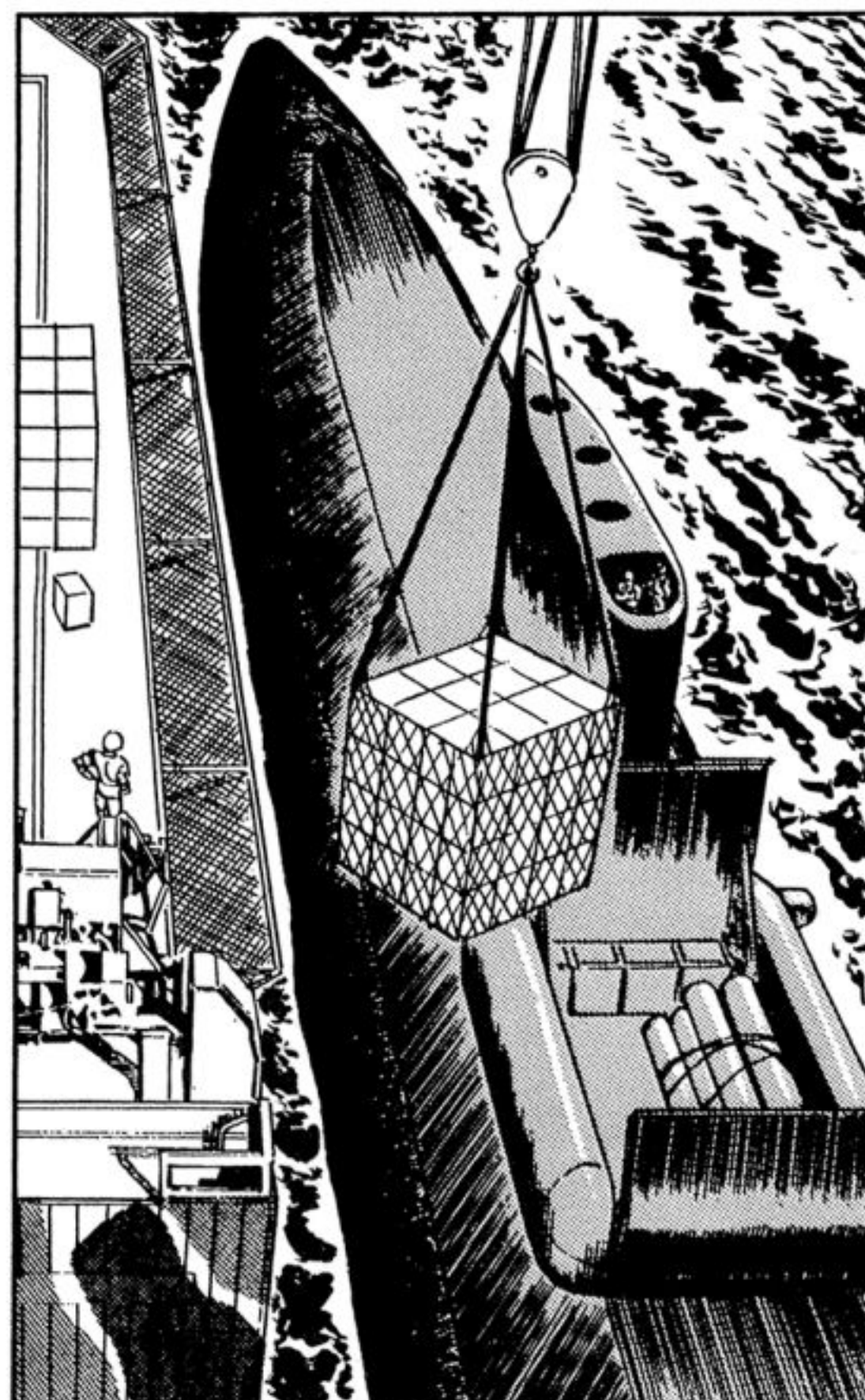


I'M
NOT
SURE
YET...

IF THERE'S
SOMETHING THAT'S
BOTHERING YOU,
CAN'T YOU TELL ME,
PROFESSOR?



DOES IT
HAVE TO DO WITH
THE WEAKENING
MAGNETIC FIELD?

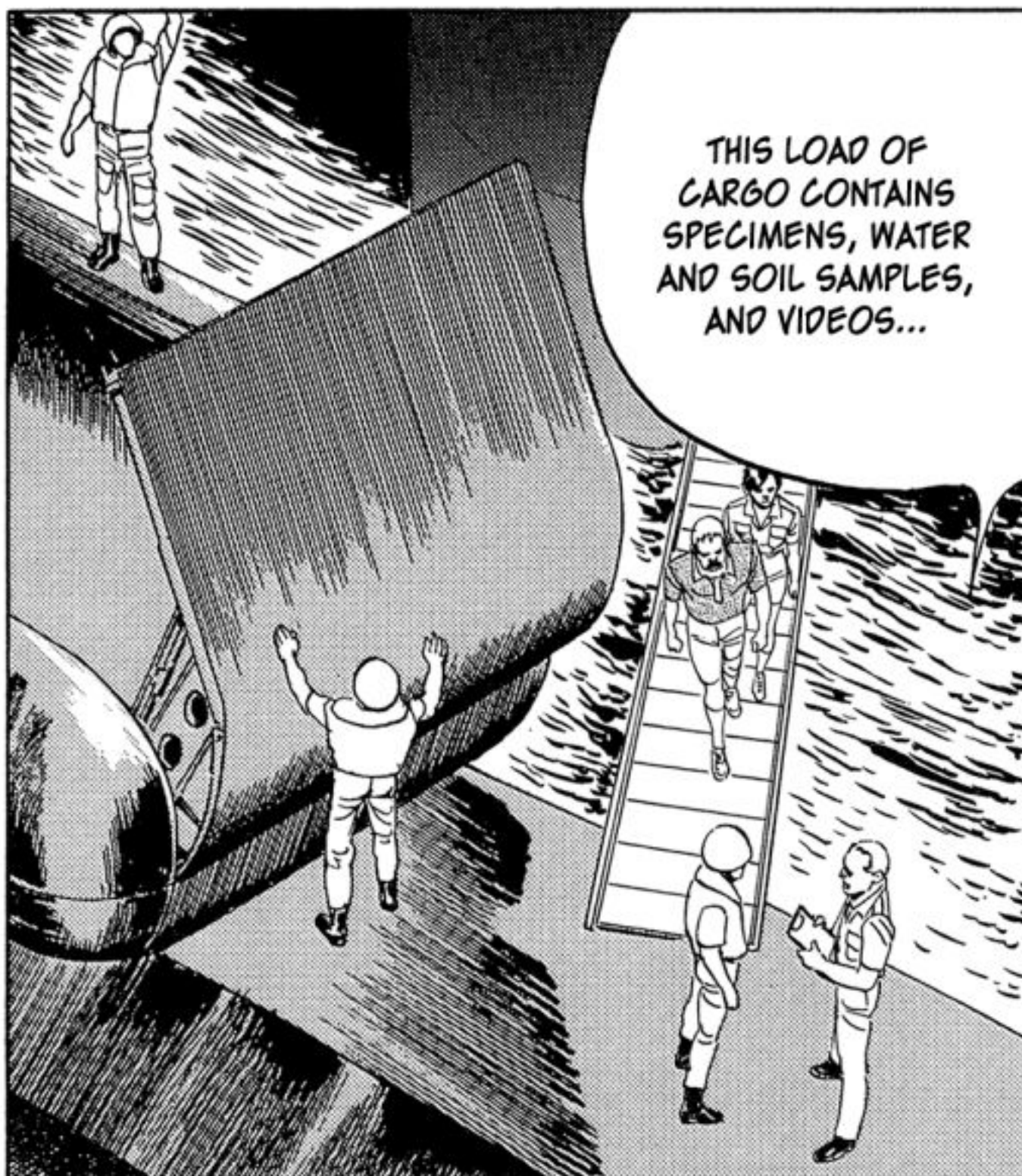


DIDN'T I TELL YOU
ALREADY, JEAN?
GEOMAGNETISM IS THE
ENERGY THE BLUE
HOLE IS MADE OF!



SO IF THE
MAGNETIC FIELD
WEAKENS, IT WON'T
BE ABLE TO SUSTAIN
THE BLUE HOLE...!?



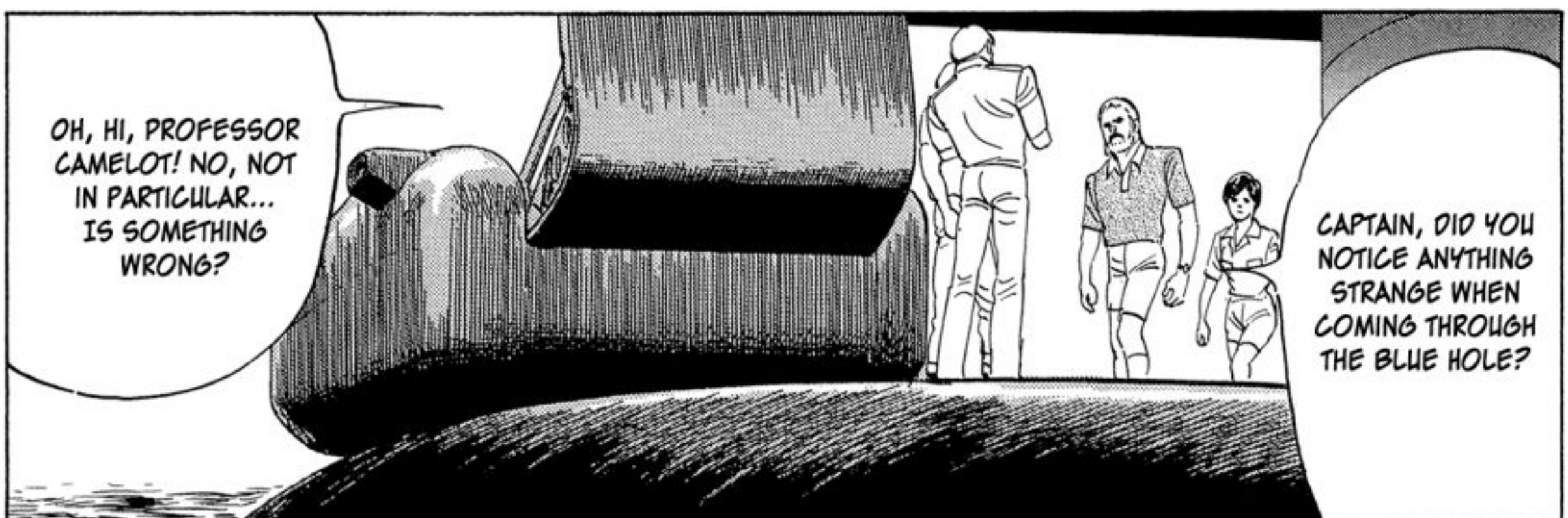


THIS LOAD OF
CARGO CONTAINS
SPECIMENS, WATER
AND SOIL SAMPLES,
AND VIDEOS...



NO, I'M
NOT QUITE
CERTAIN
YET...

THE
COMMUNICATION
CABLE THROUGH
THE BLUE HOLE
BEING INTERRUPTED
COULD MEAN...

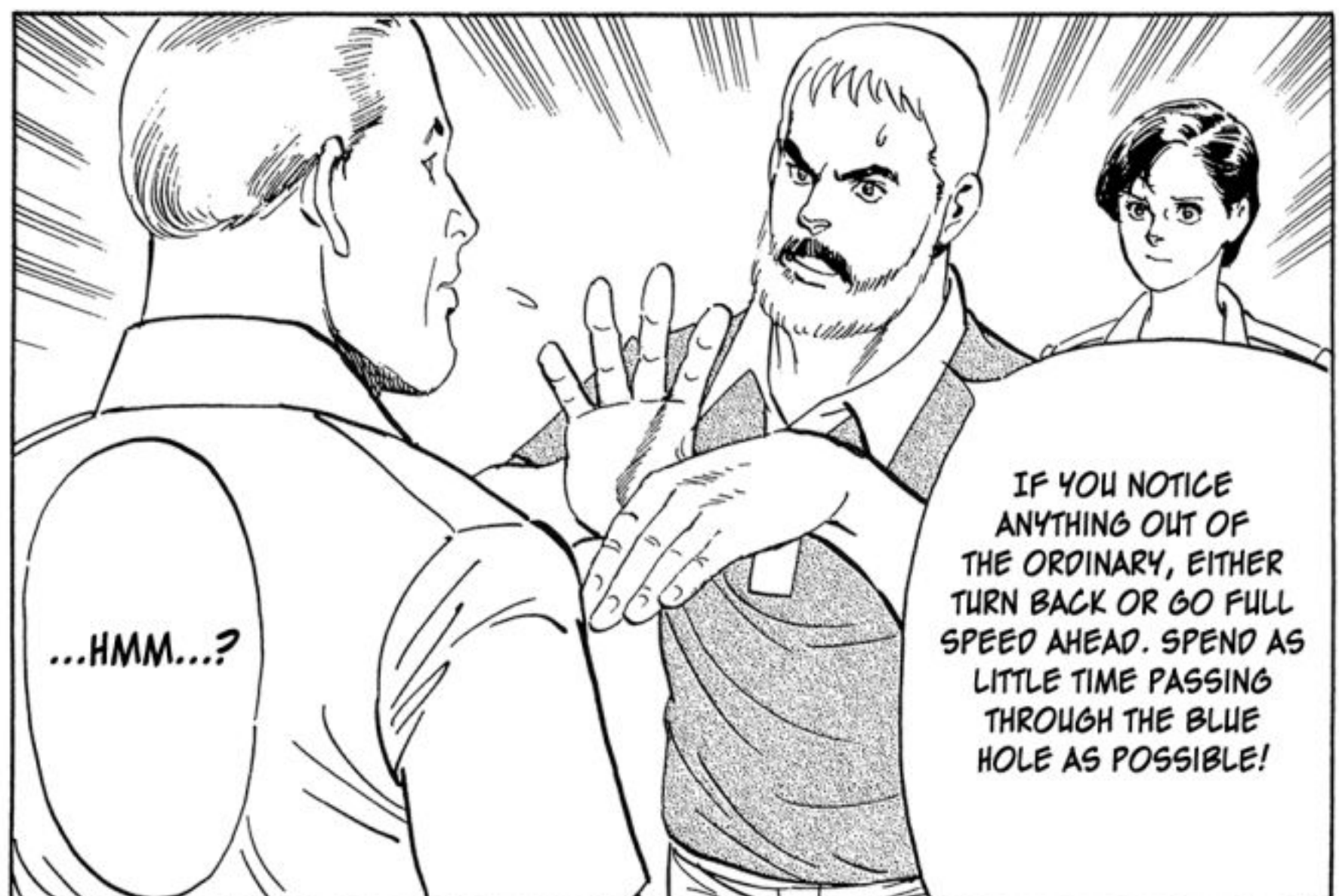


OH, HI, PROFESSOR
CAMELOT! NO, NOT
IN PARTICULAR...
IS SOMETHING
WRONG?

CAPTAIN, DID YOU
NOTICE ANYTHING
STRANGE WHEN
COMING THROUGH
THE BLUE HOLE?

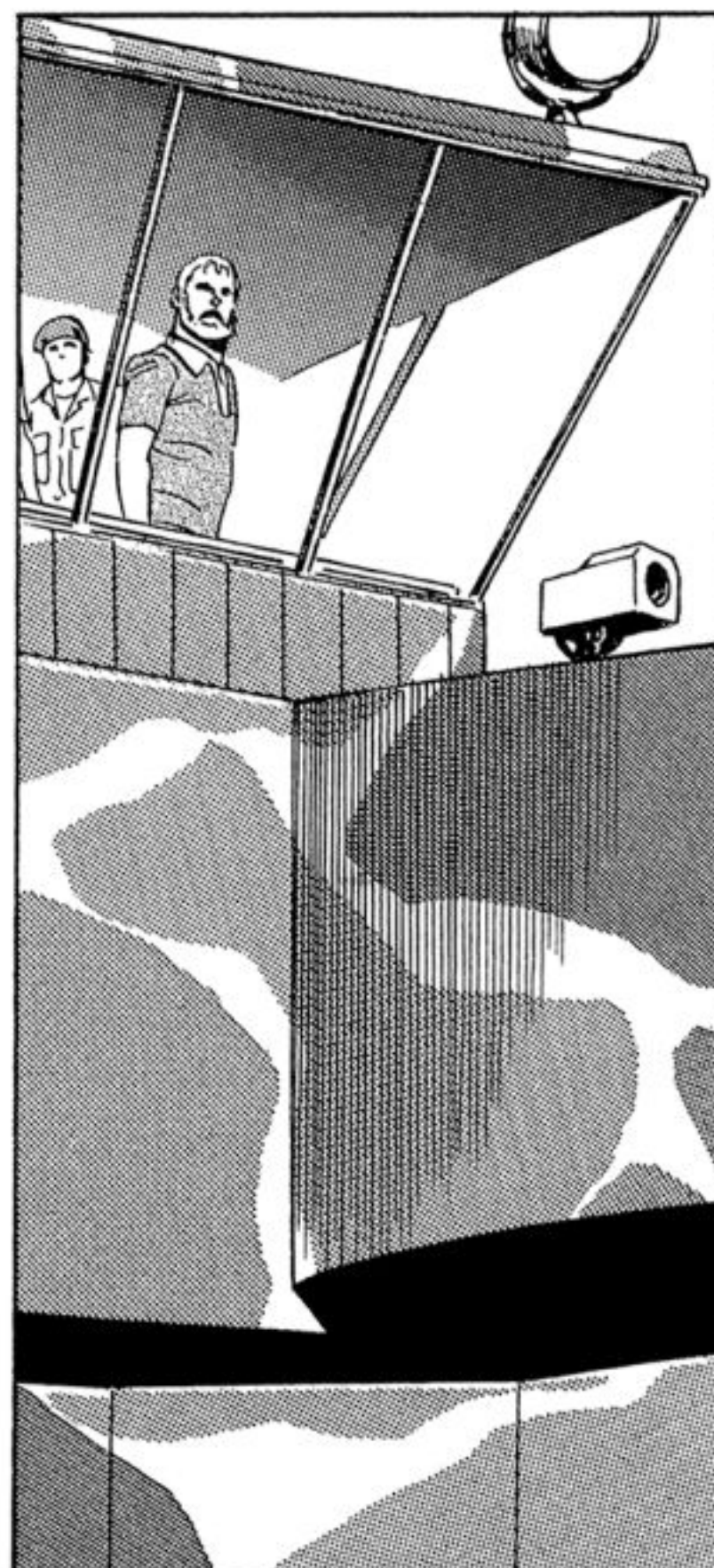
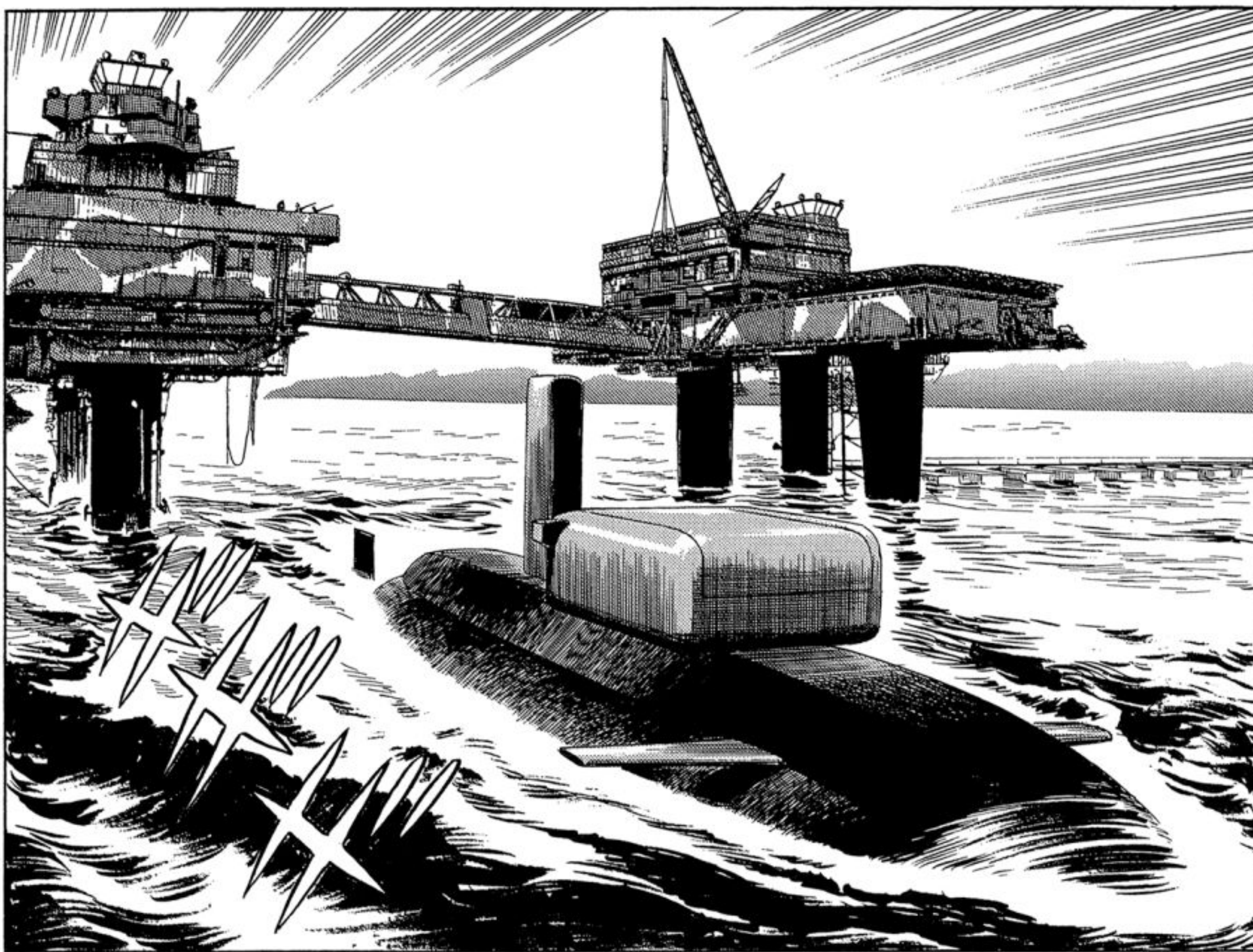


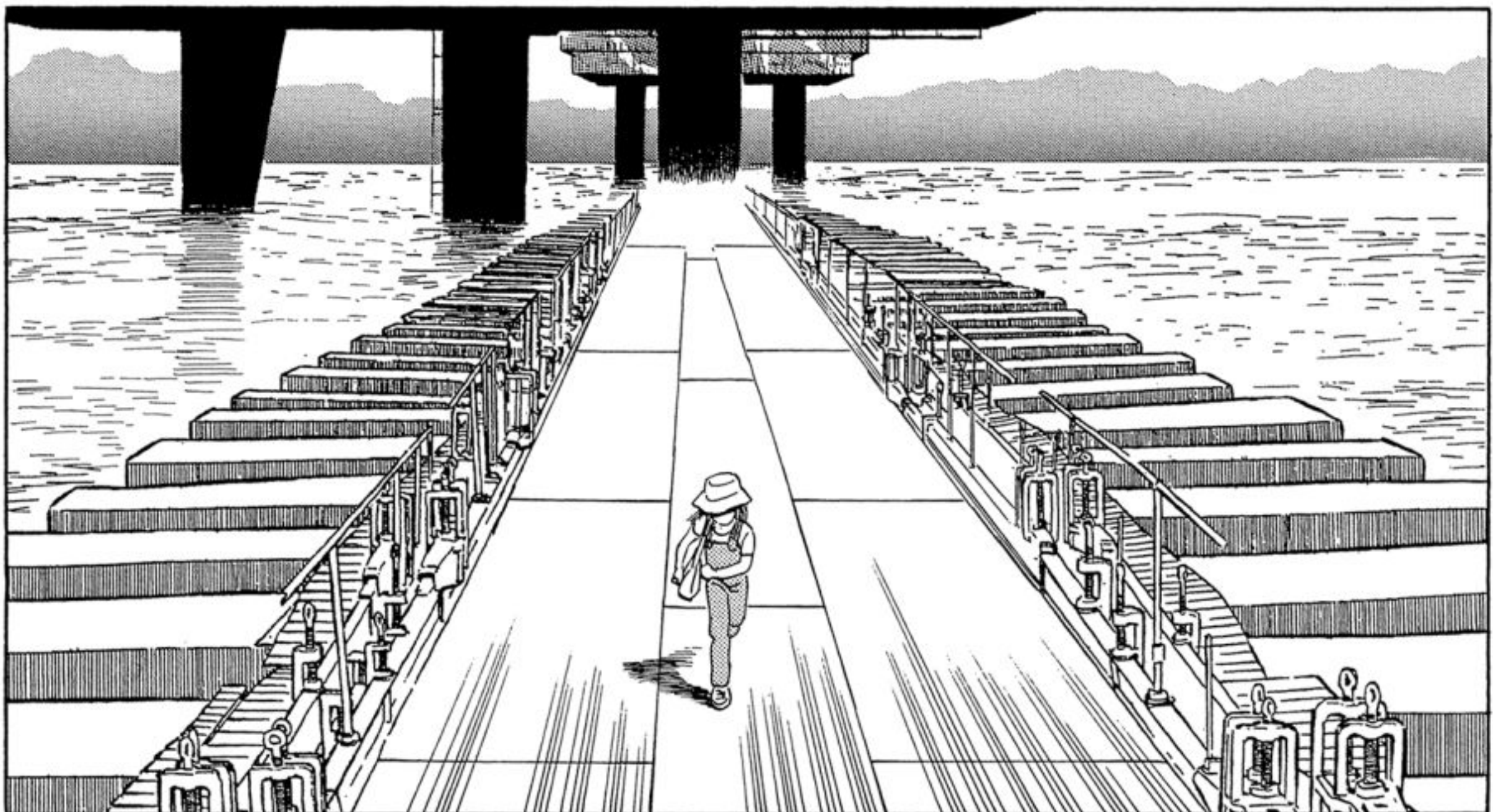
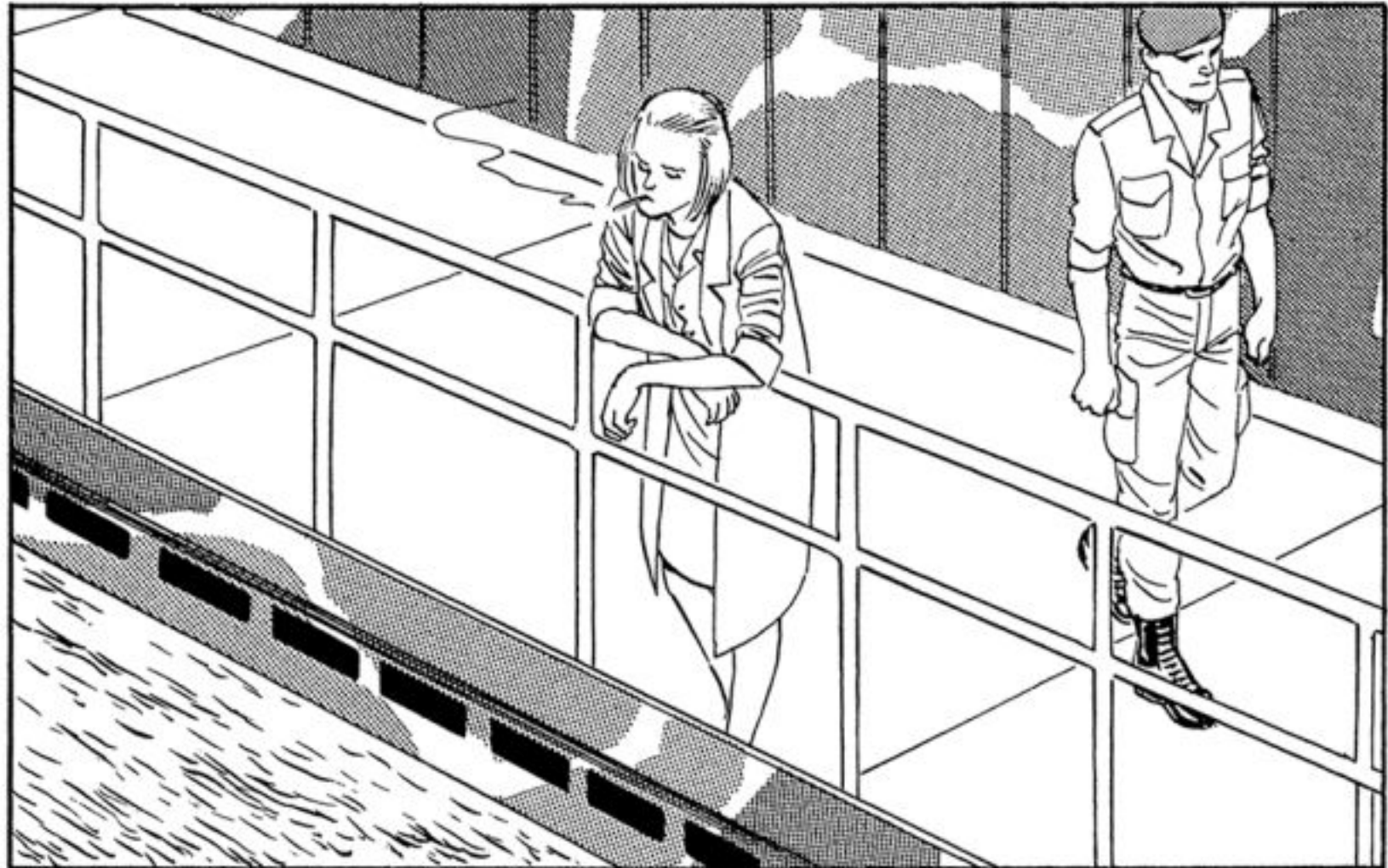
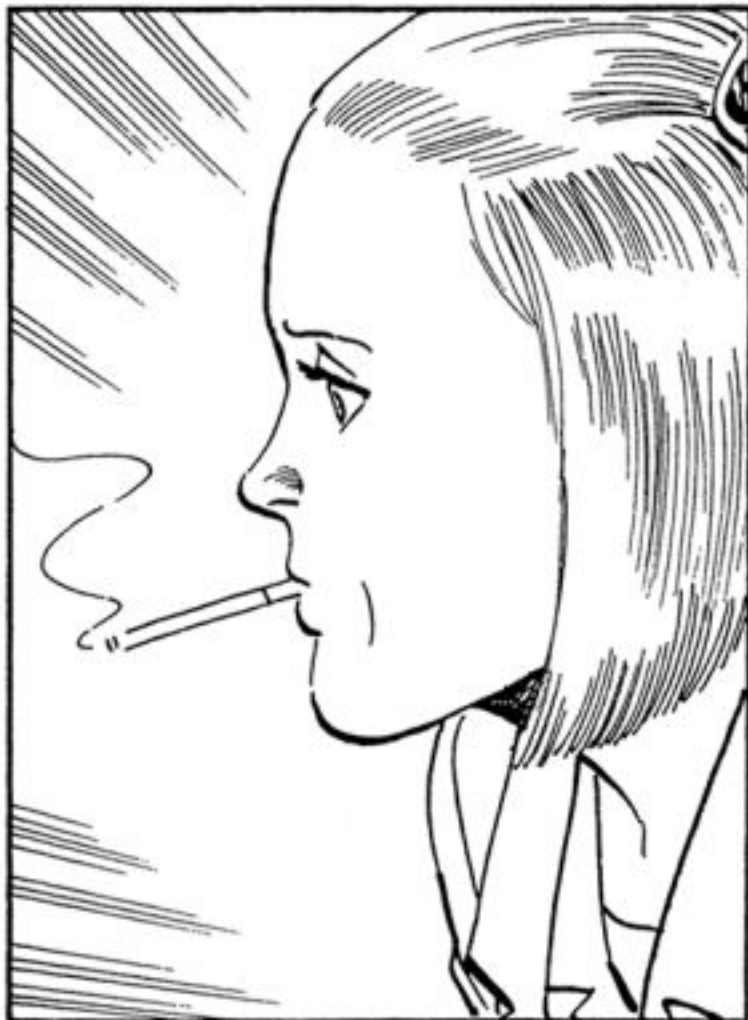
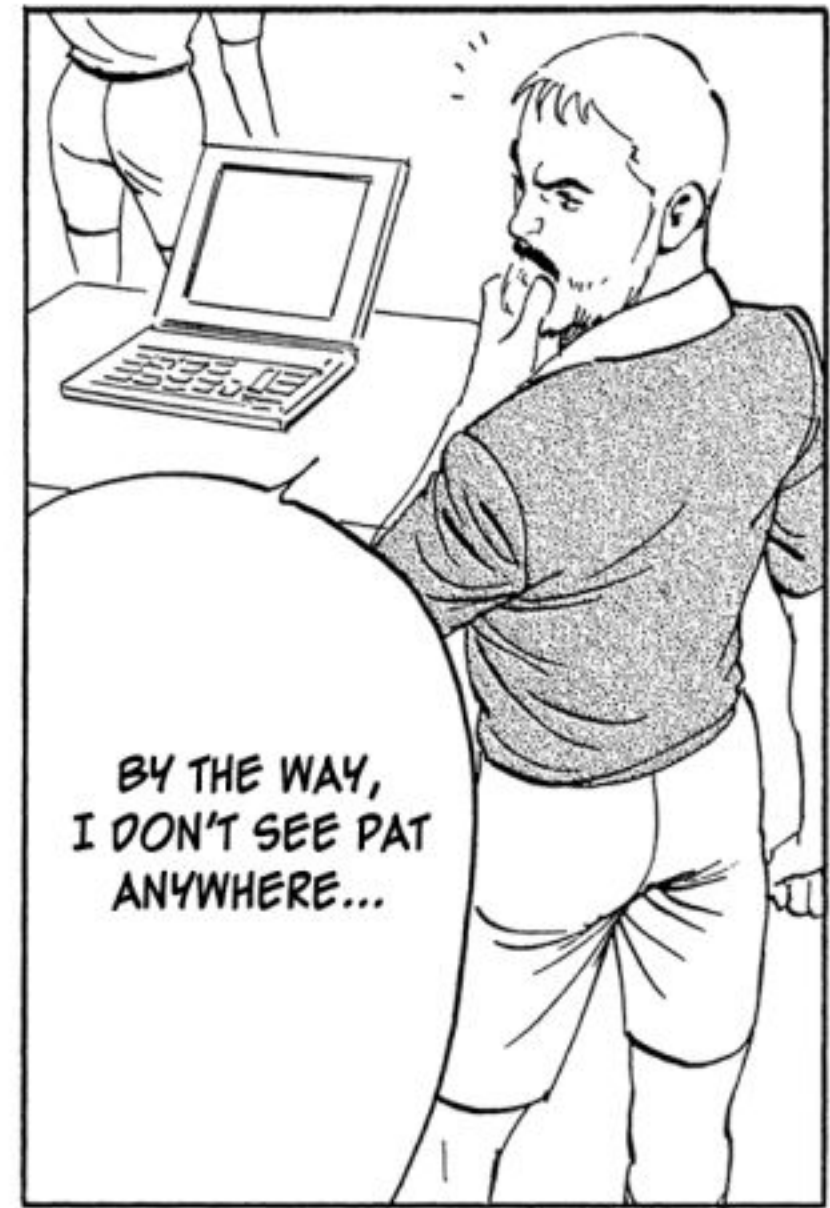
ALRIGHT,
IF YOU SAY
SO...

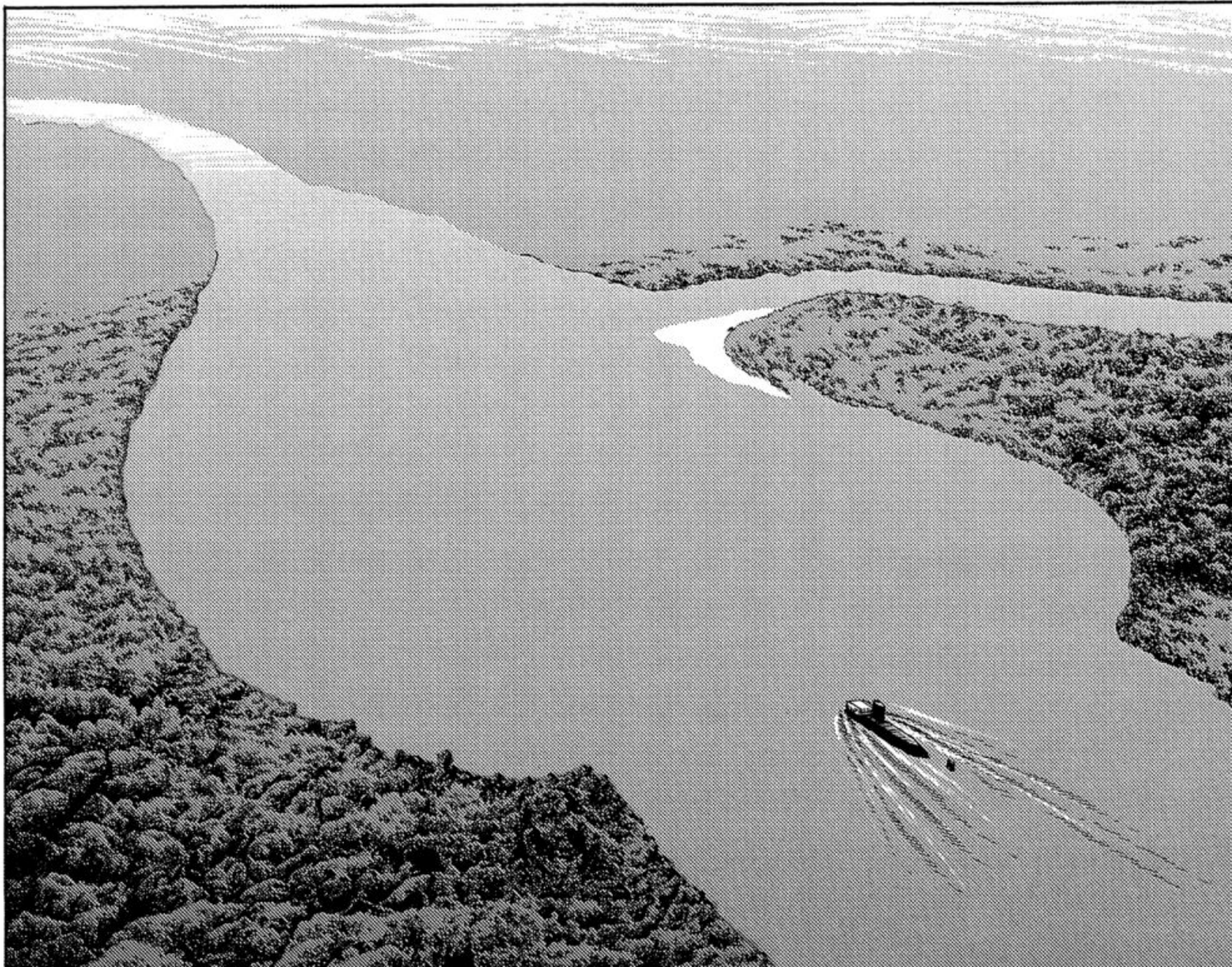
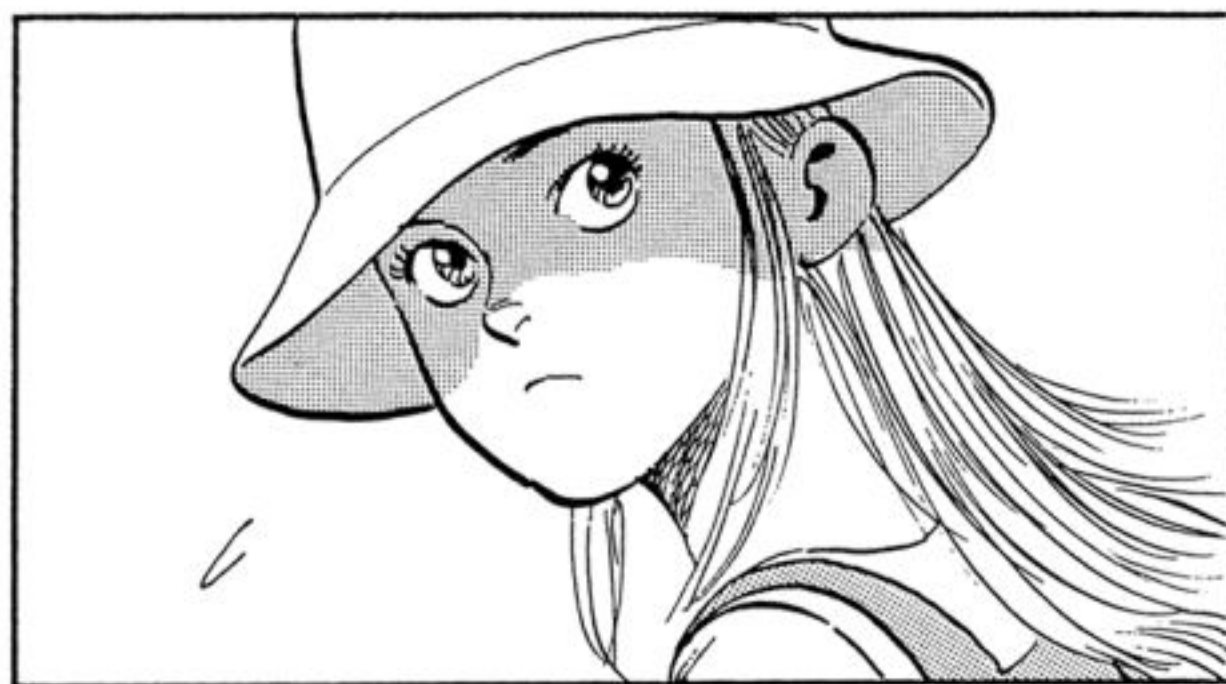
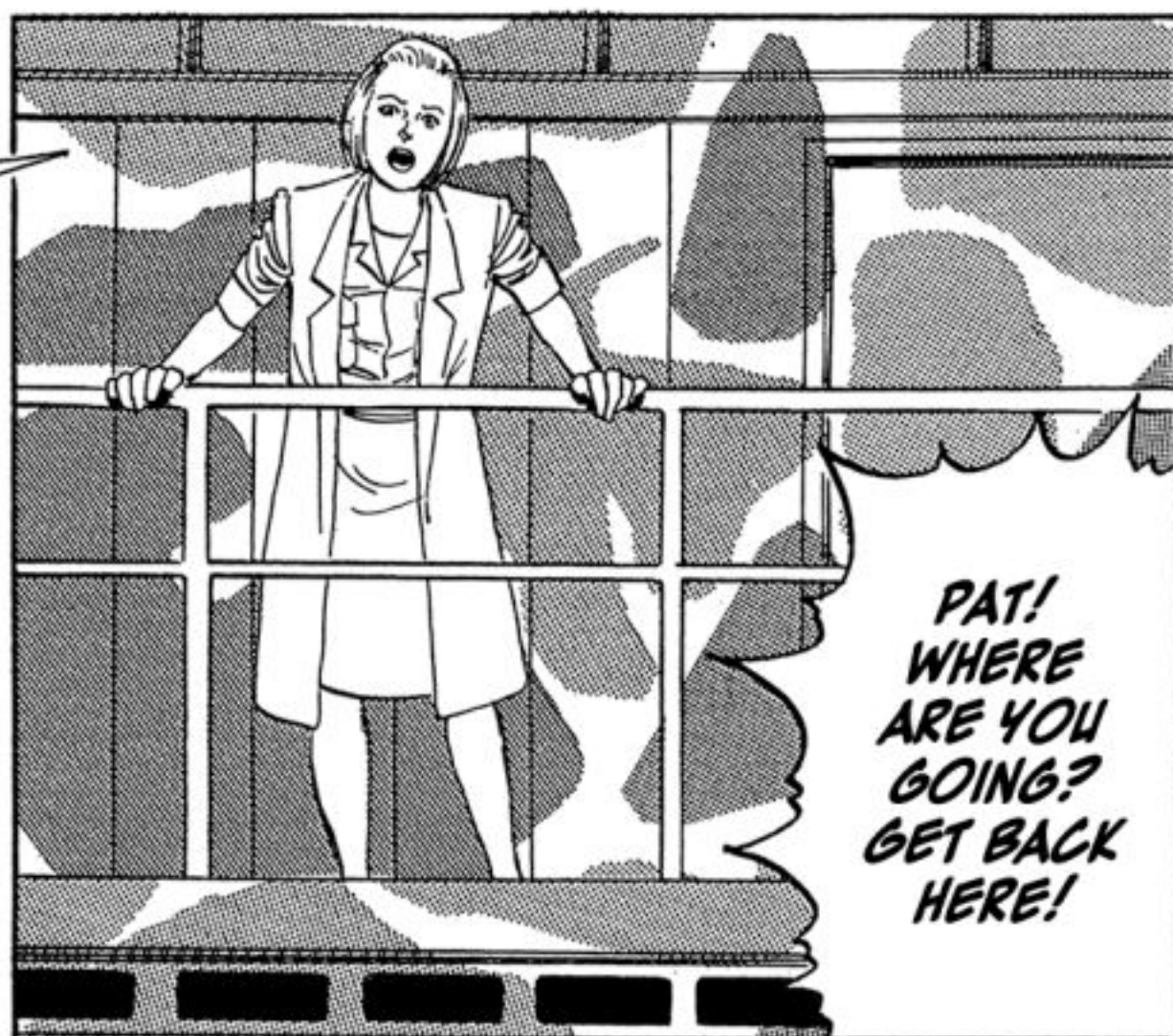


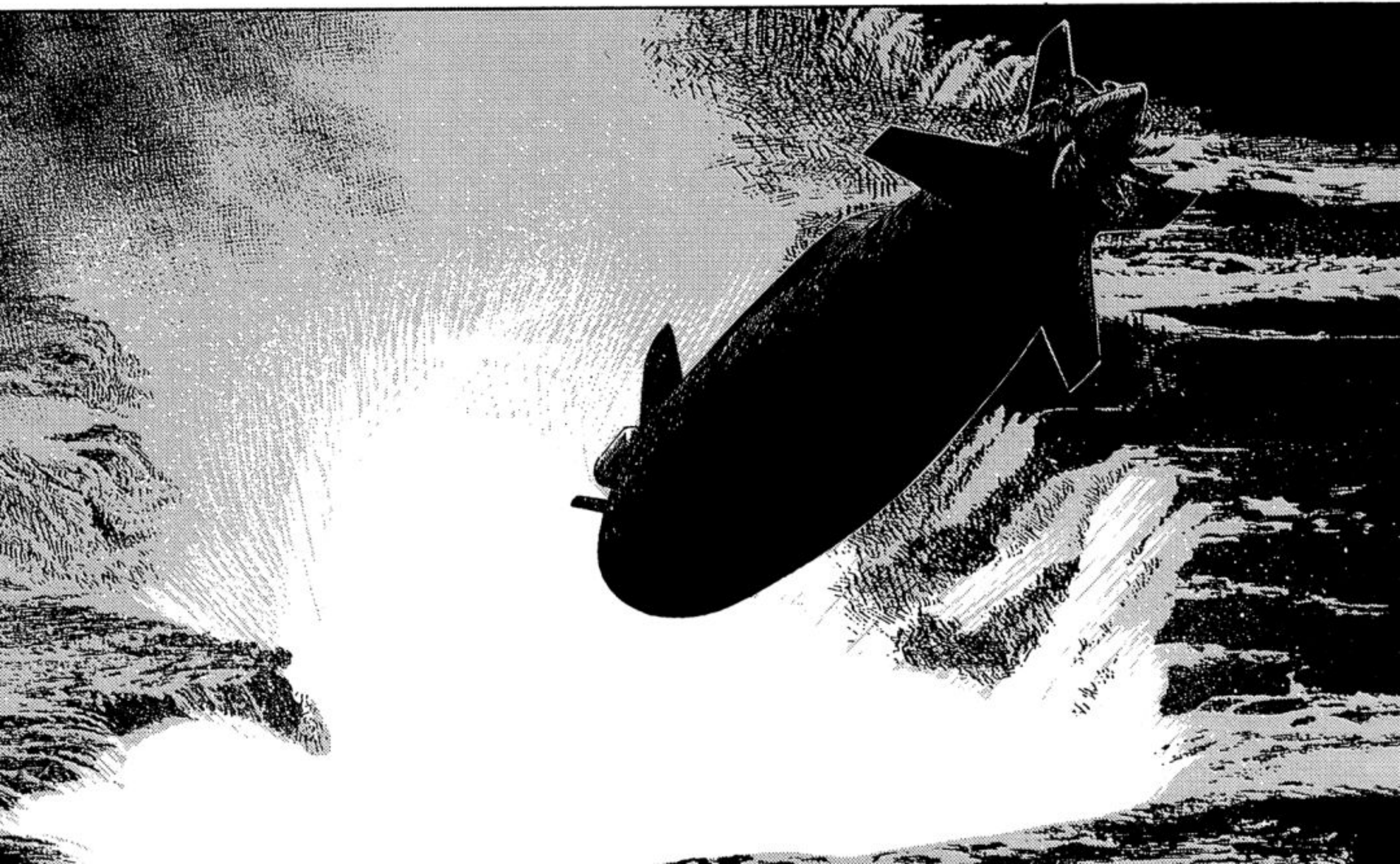
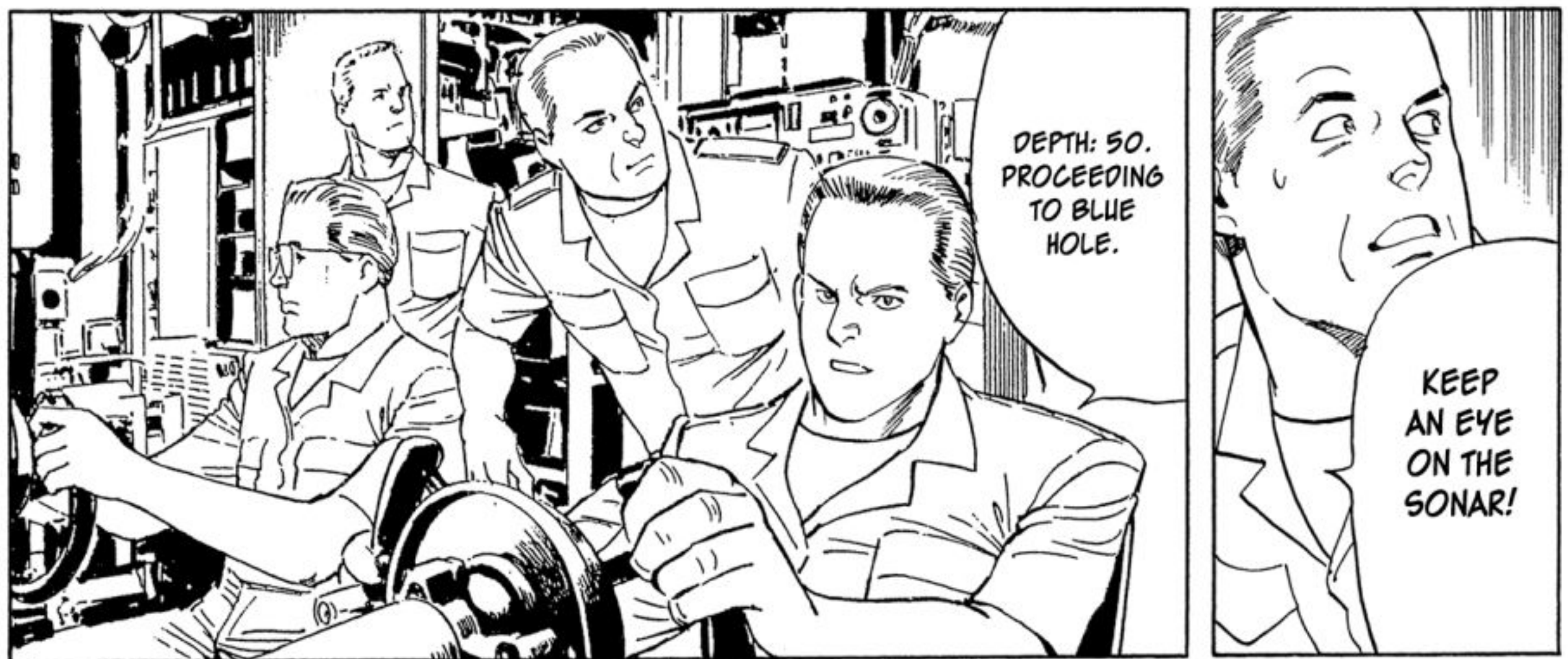
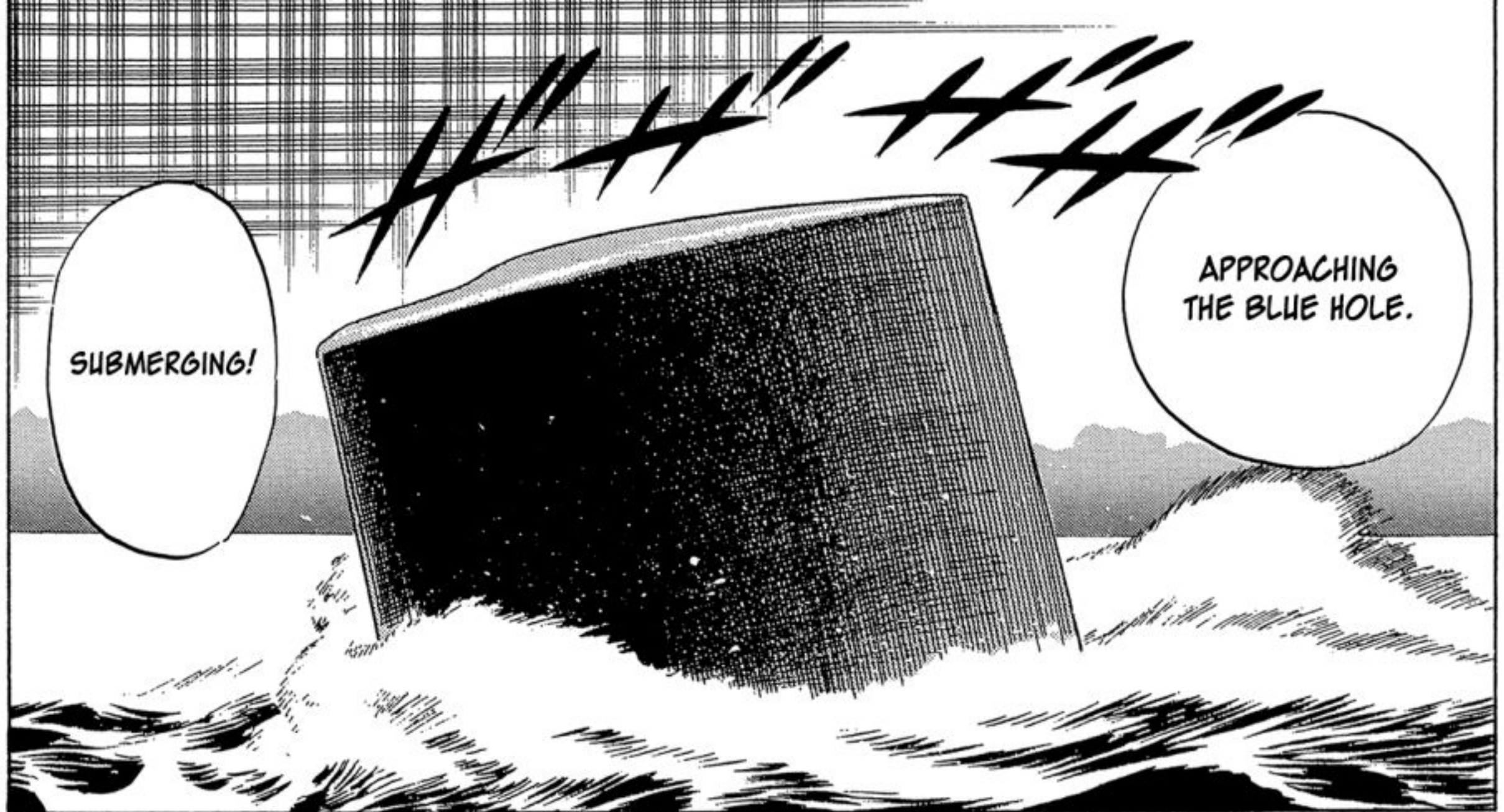
...HMM...?

IF YOU NOTICE
ANYTHING OUT OF
THE ORDINARY, EITHER
TURN BACK OR GO FULL
SPEED AHEAD. SPEND AS
LITTLE TIME PASSING
THROUGH THE BLUE
HOLE AS POSSIBLE!

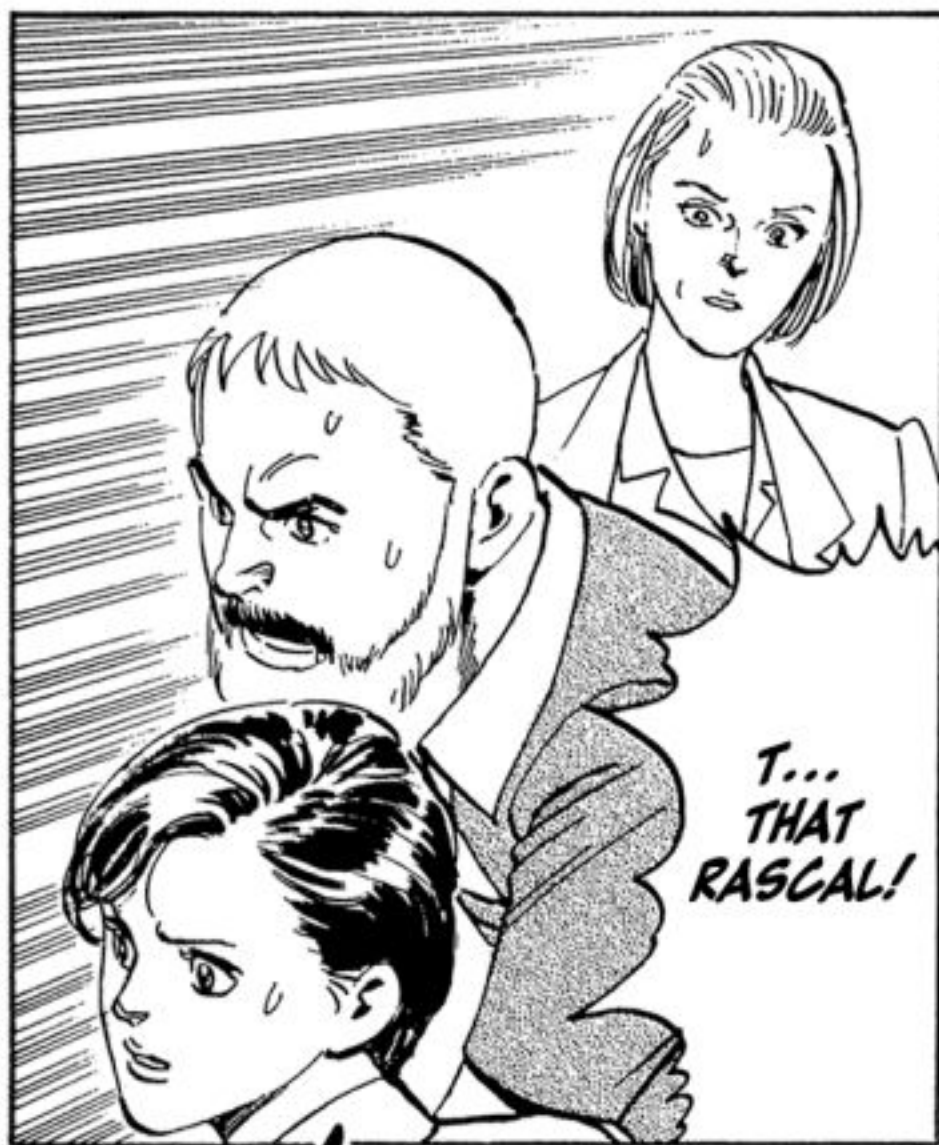




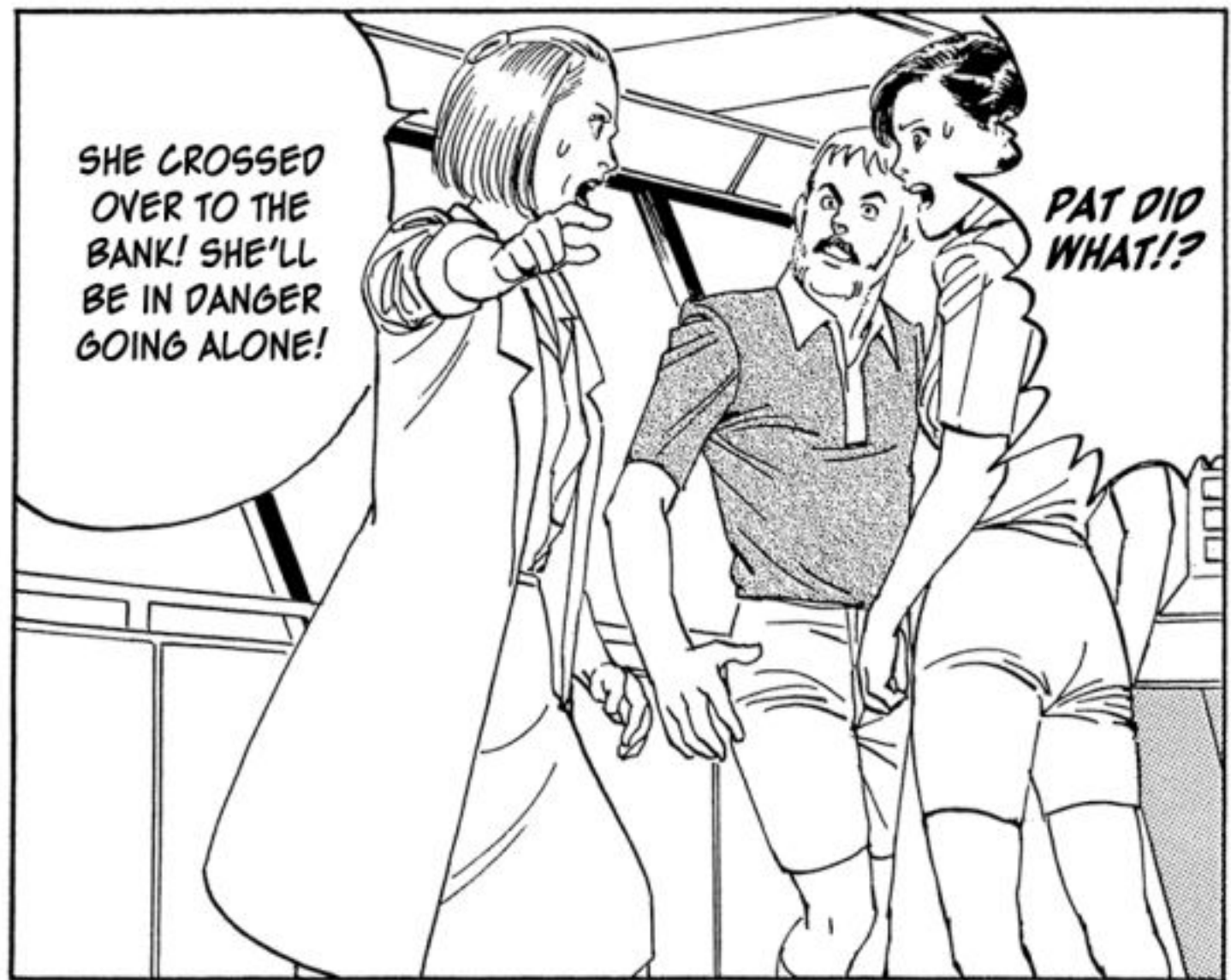








T...
THAT
RASCAL!



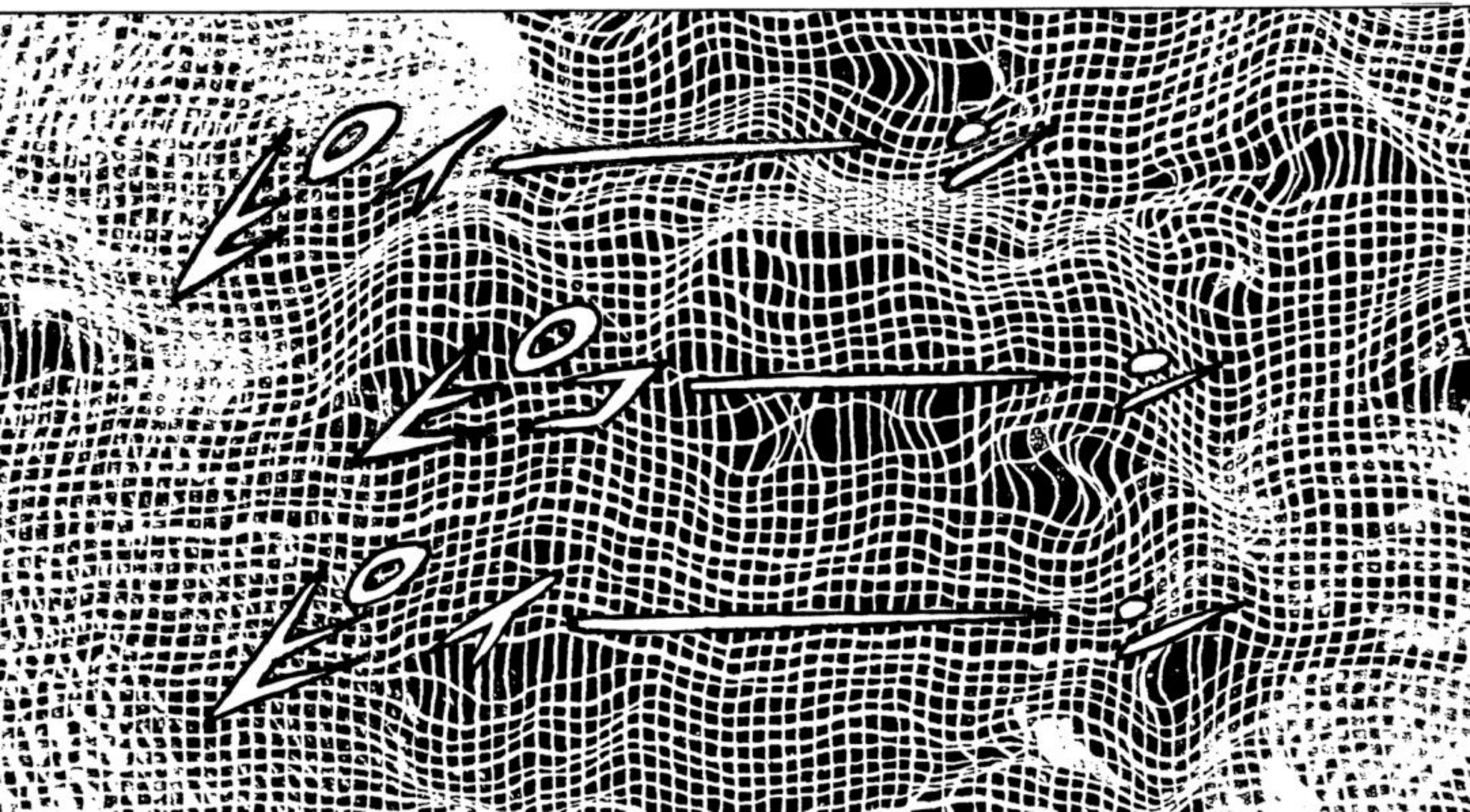
SHE CROSSED
OVER TO THE
BANK! SHE'LL
BE IN DANGER
GOING ALONE!

PAT DID
WHAT!?



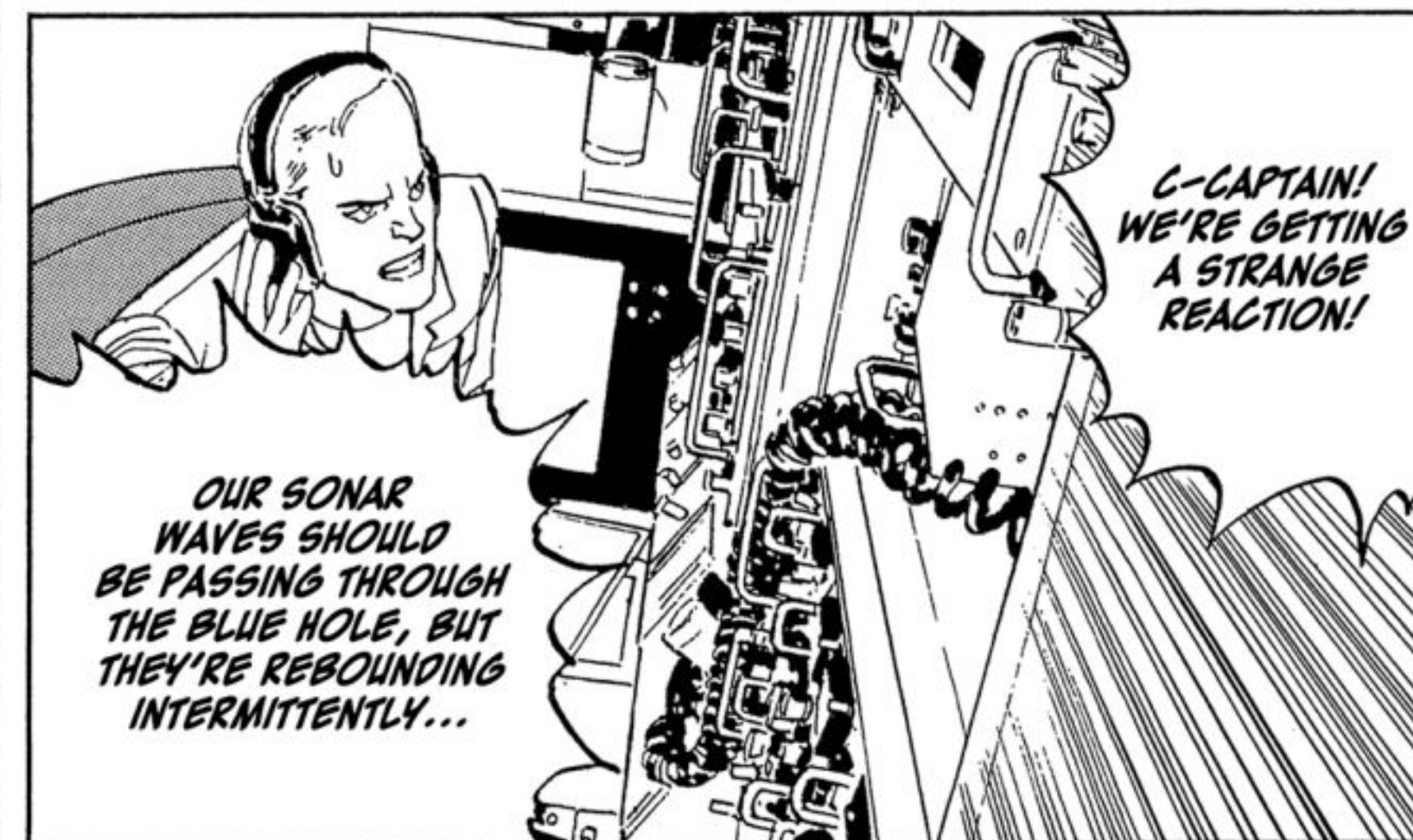
PROFESSOR!
TH-THE
CABLE'S
GOING...

PRO-
FESSOR!?





T-THE
HOLE'S
GONE!
WE'RE
AT THE
RIVERBED!



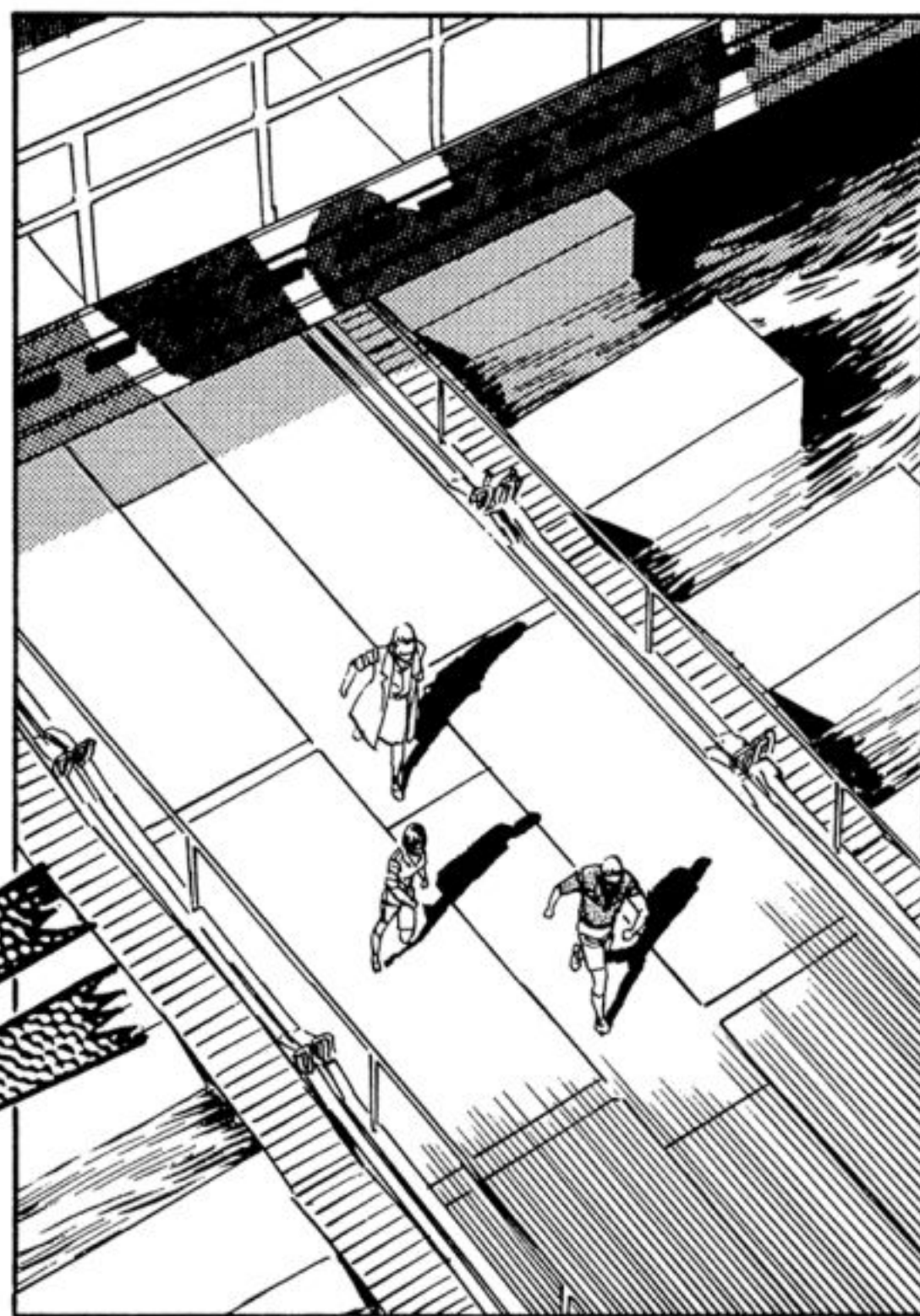
C-CAPTAIN!
WE'RE GETTING
A STRANGE
REACTION!

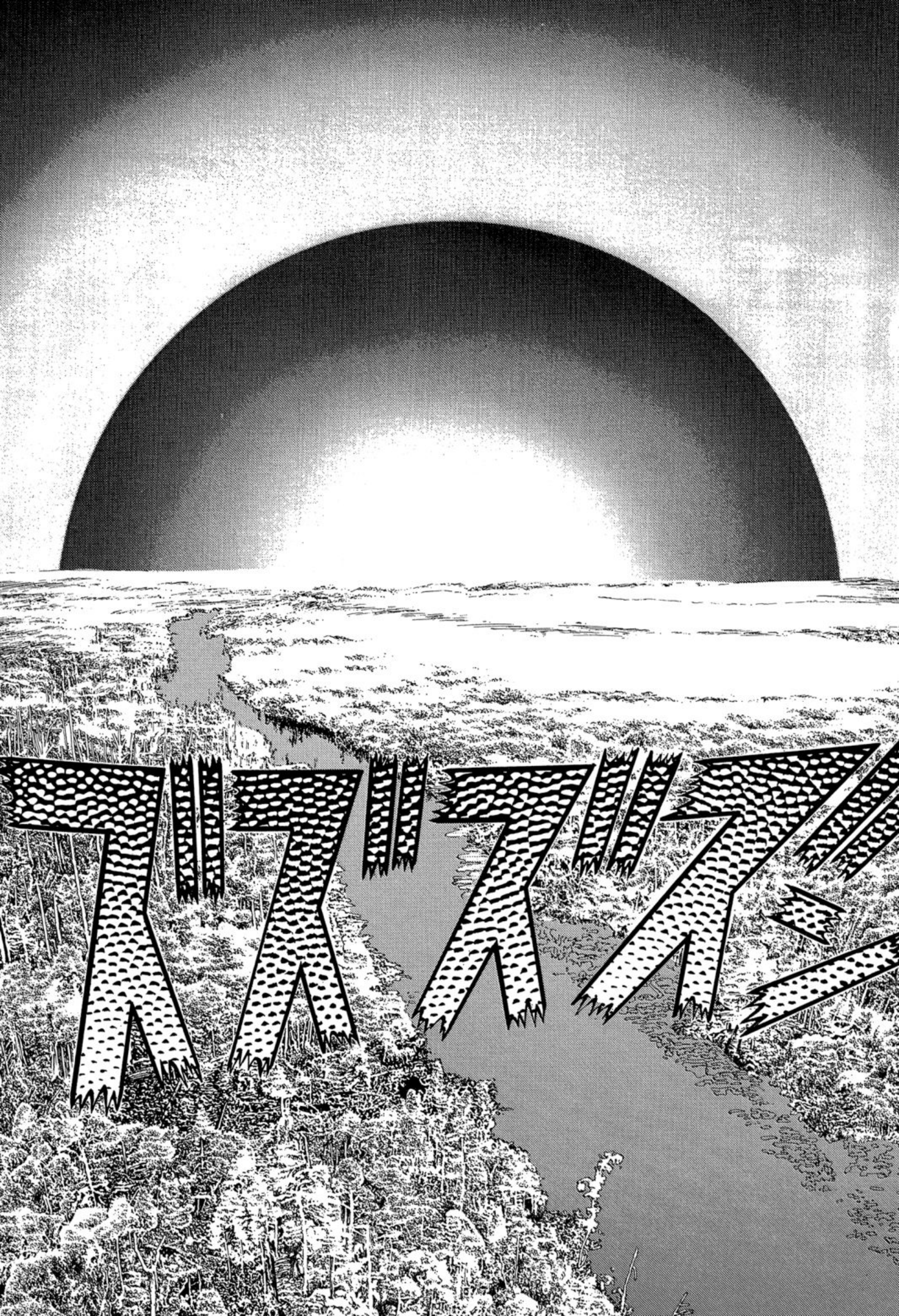
OUR SONAR
WAVES SHOULD
BE PASSING THROUGH
THE BLUE HOLE, BUT
THEY'RE REBOUNDED
INTERMITTENTLY...

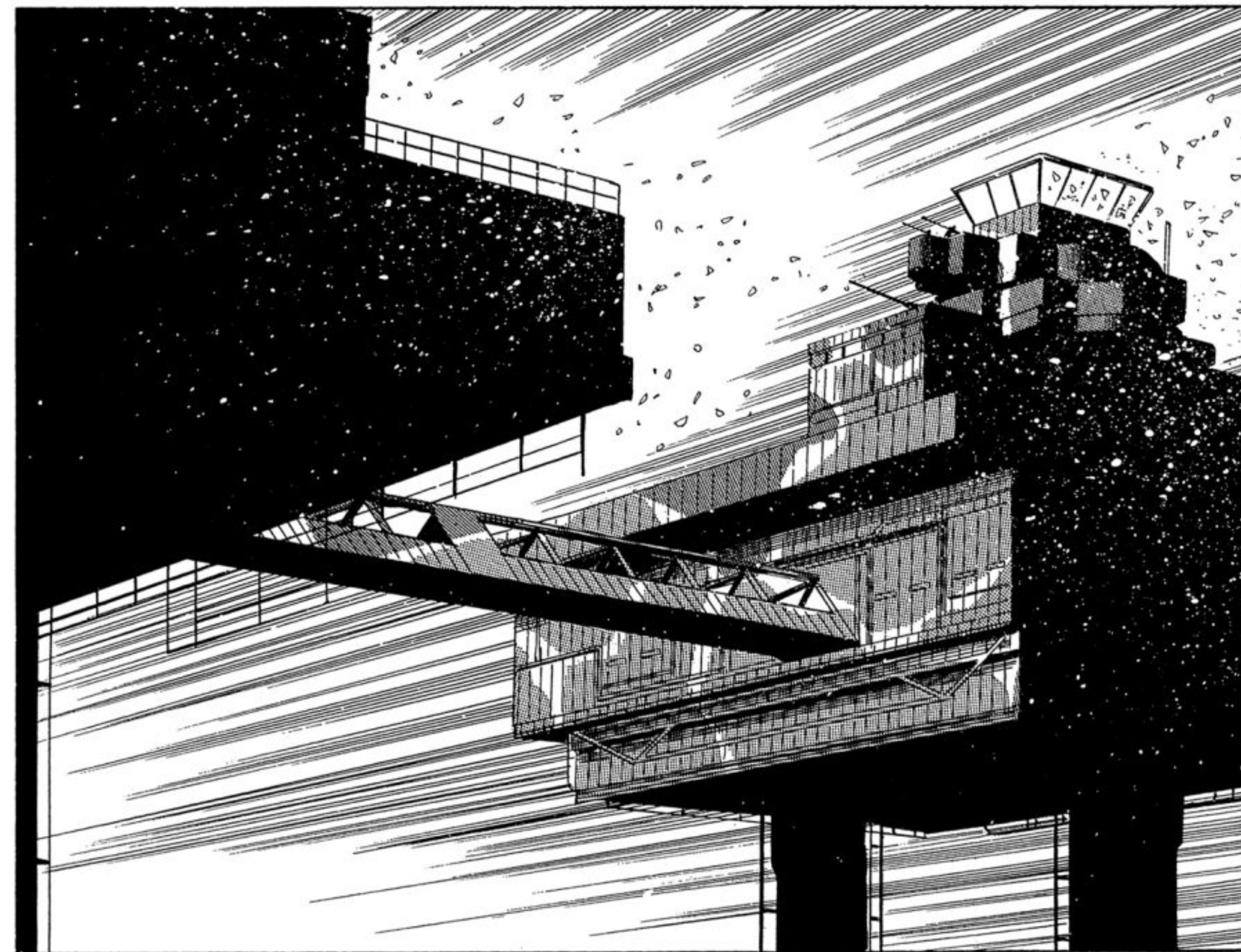
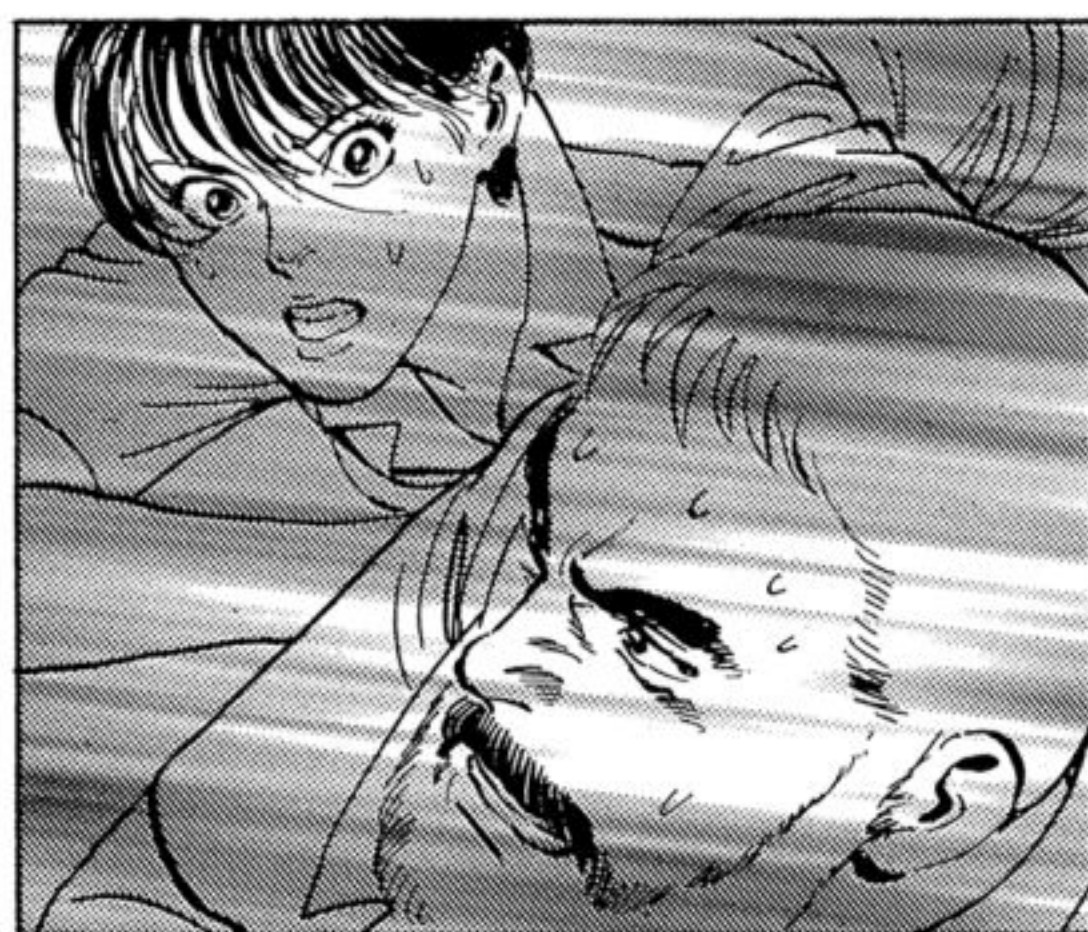


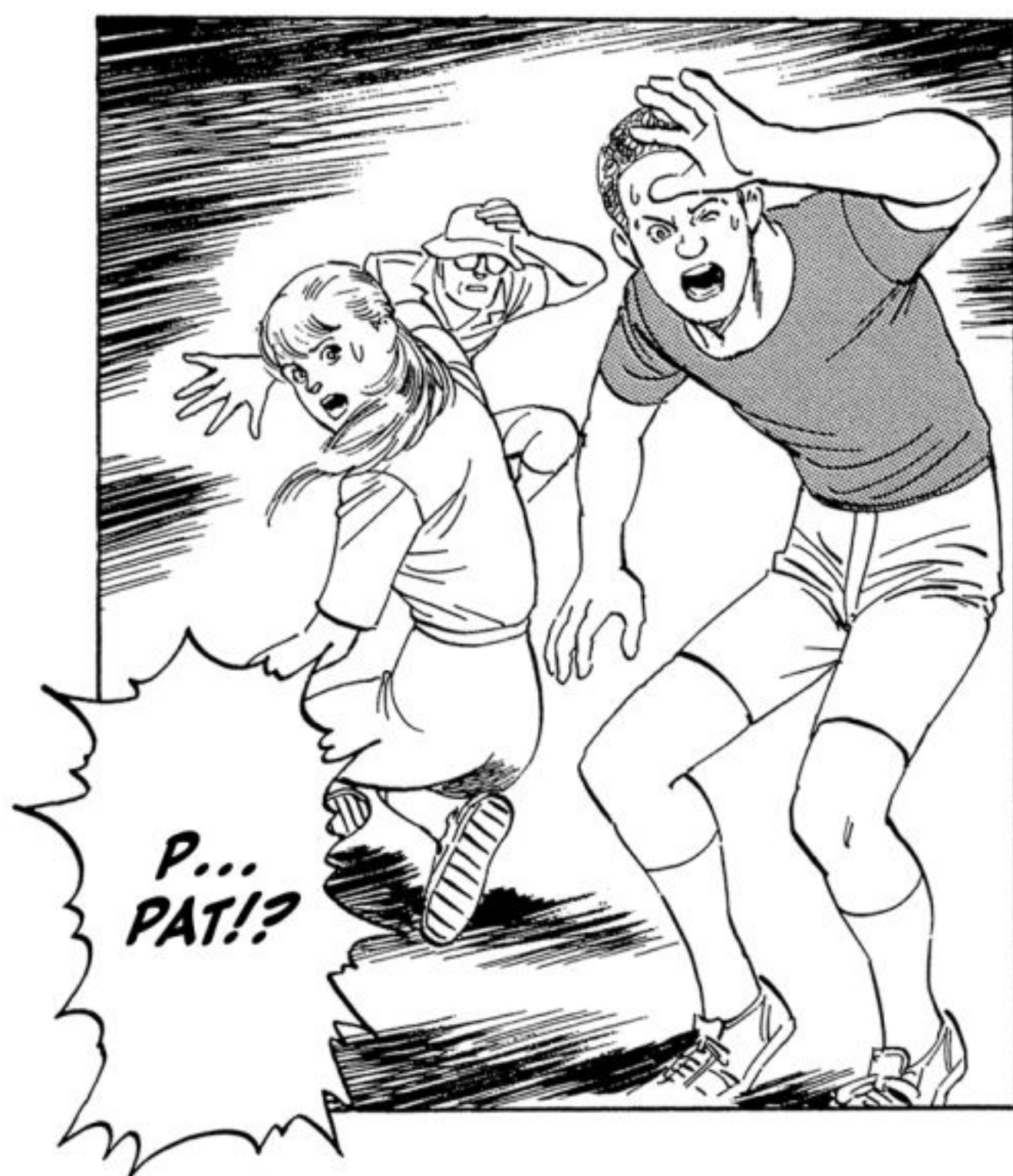
REVERSE
THROTTLE!!
GET US
AWAY FROM
THE BLUE
HOLE!!









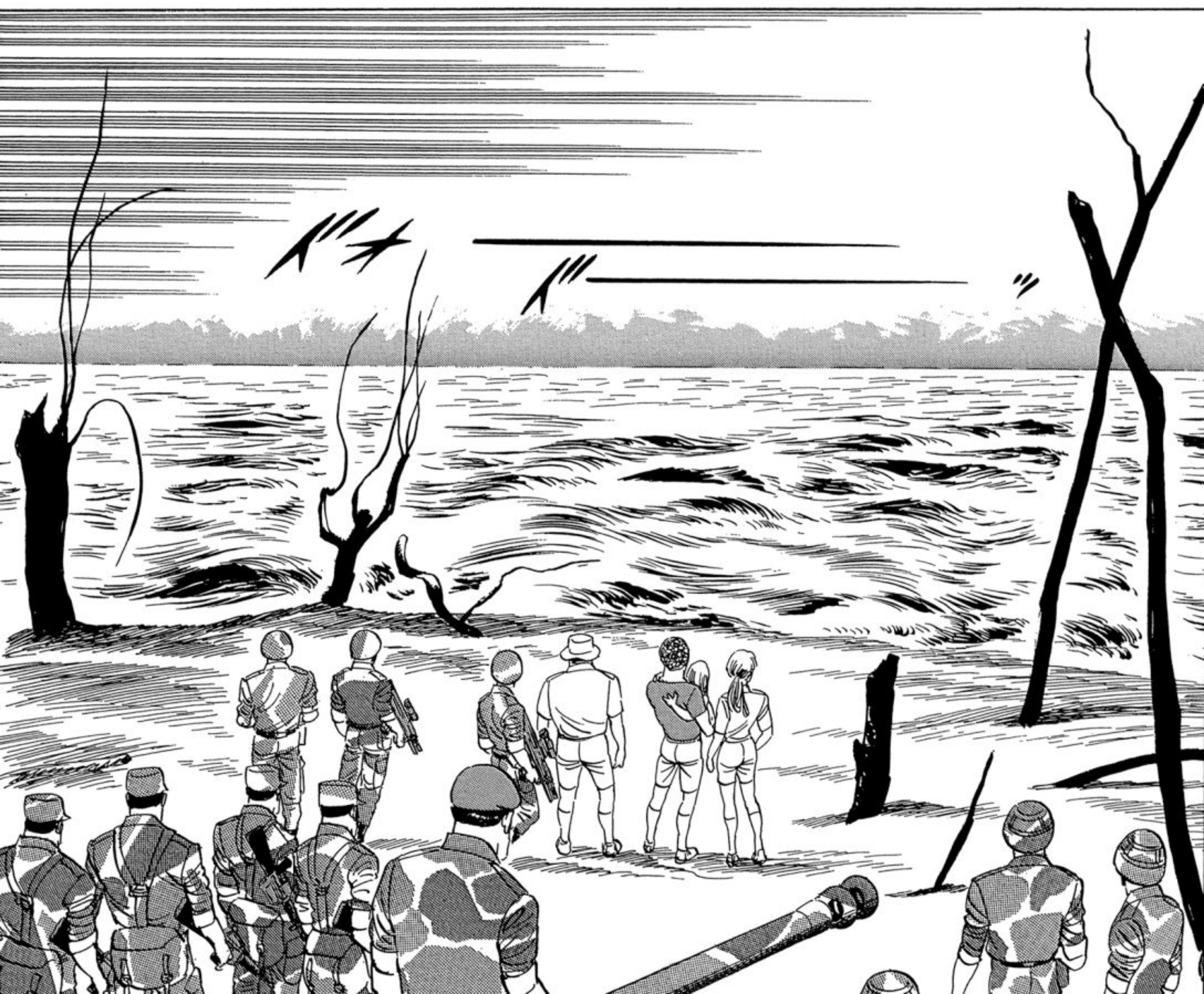
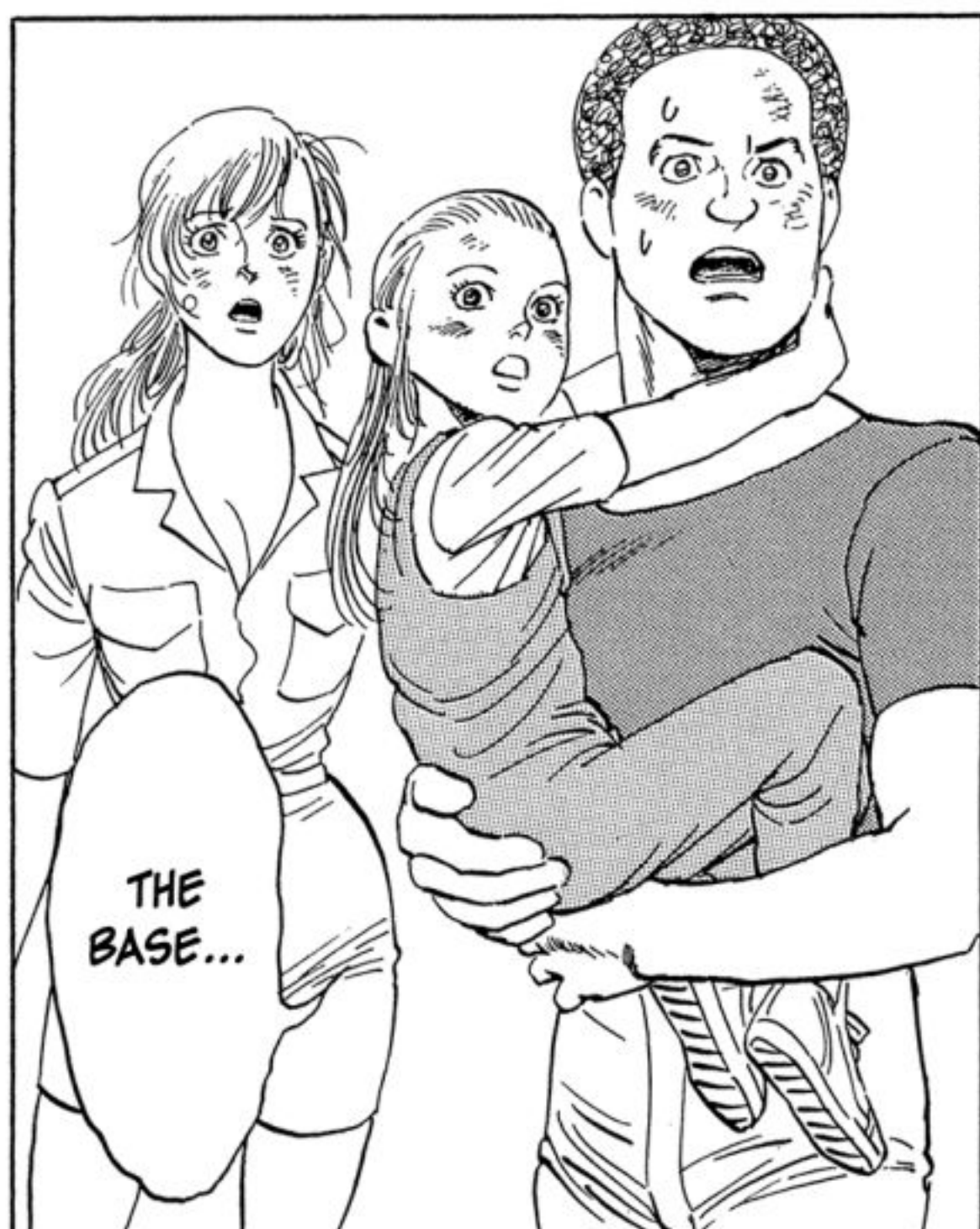


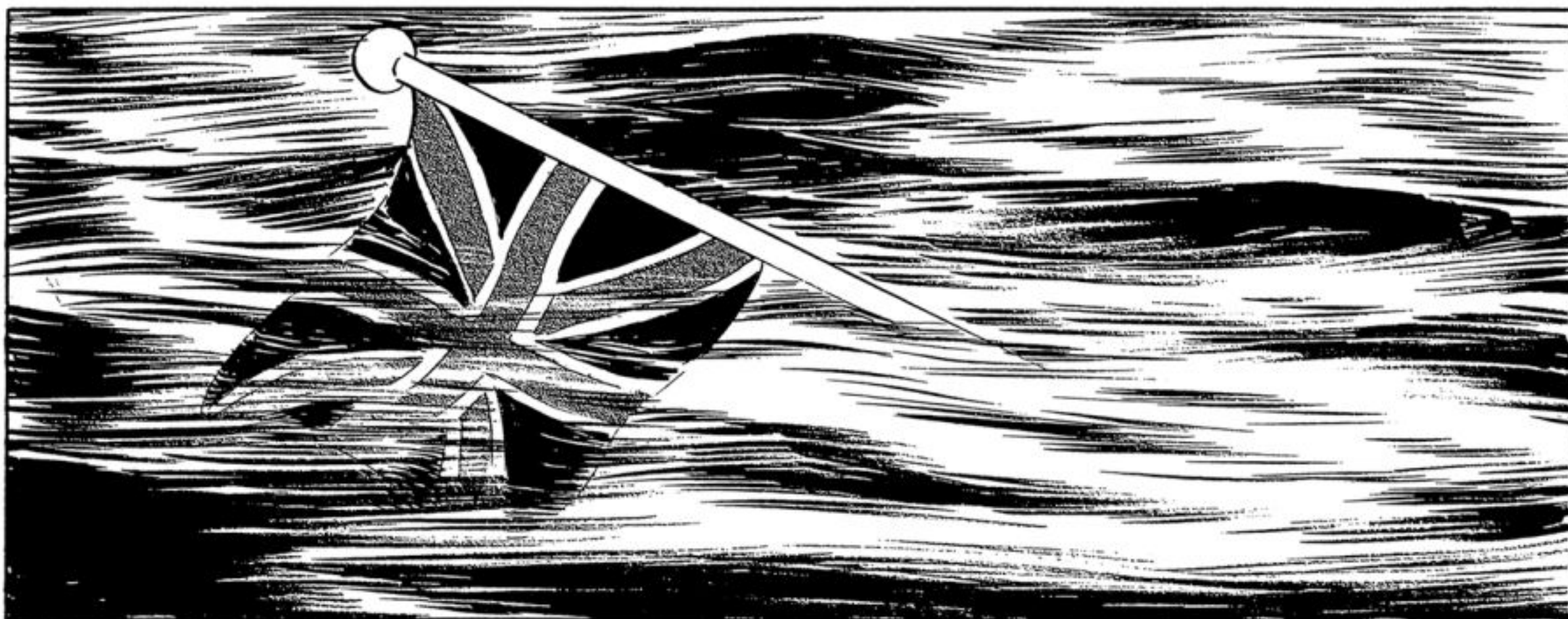














W-WHAT JUST
HAPPENED...?



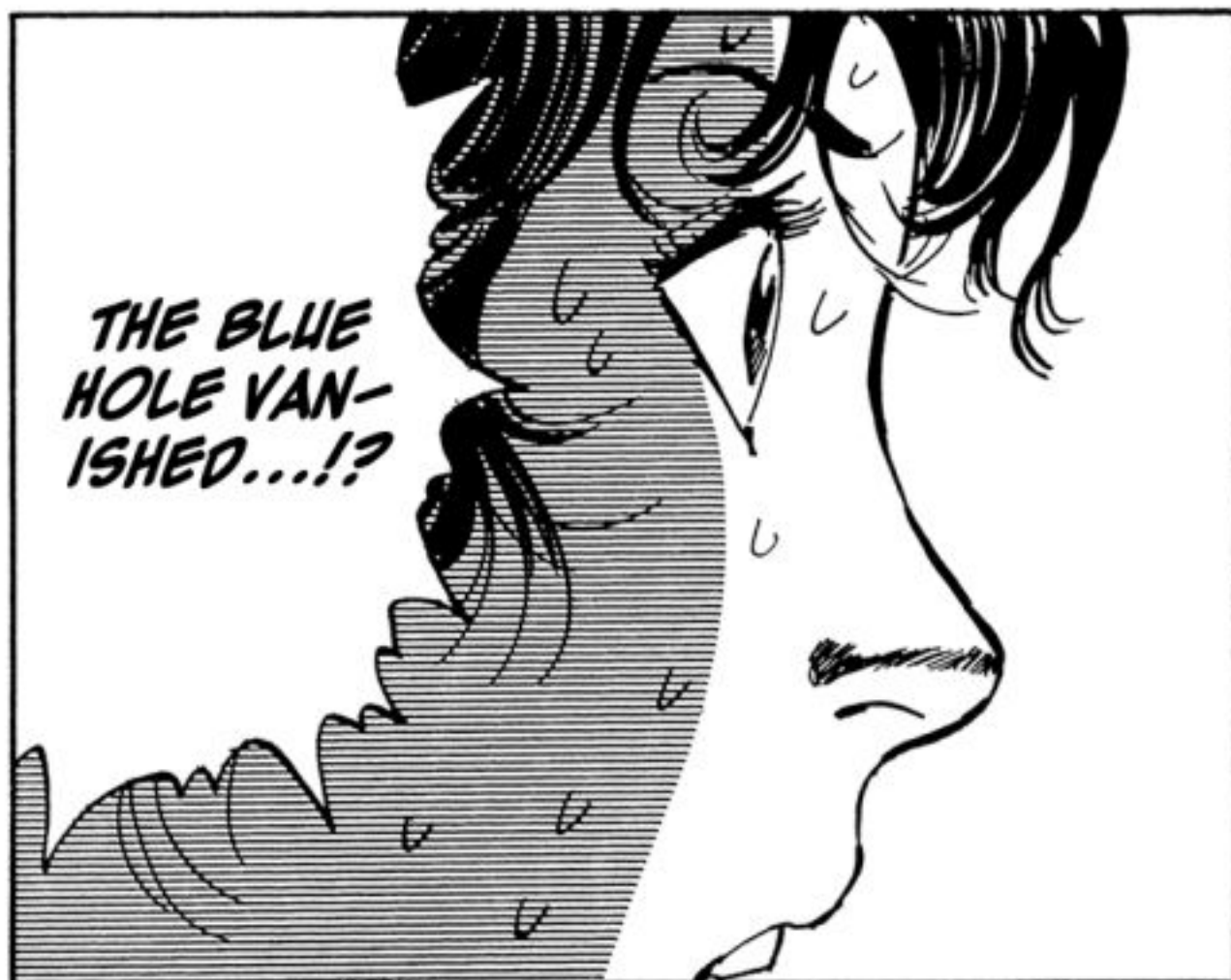
I-I'M
RIGHT
HERE!

COUGH
COUGH



PRO-
FESSOR,
WHAT HAP-
PENED!?

WE'VE
GOT TO
FIND PAT,
AND THE
OTHERS.

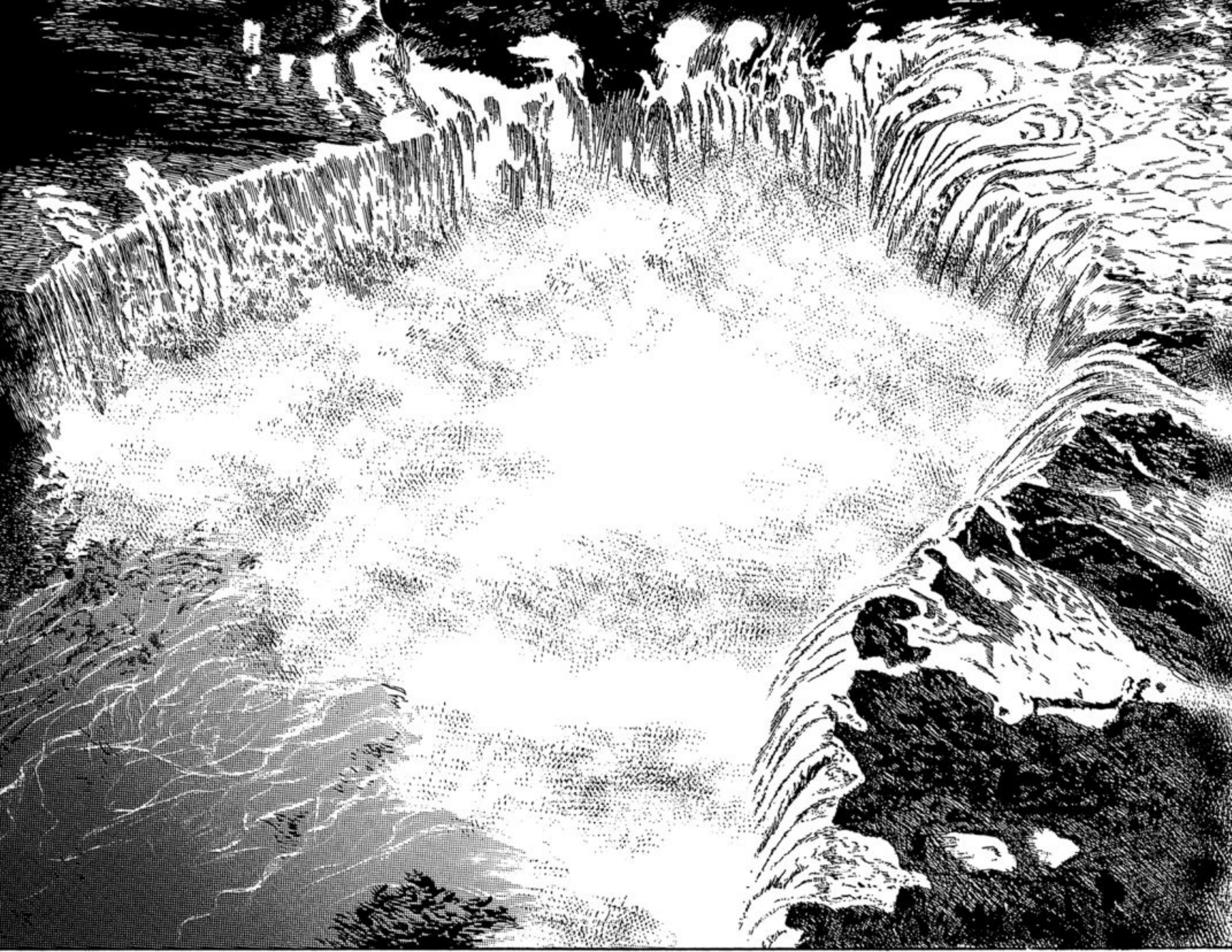


THE BLUE
HOLE VAN-
ISHED...!?



THEN THE SUDDEN
MATERIALIZATION
OF THE RIVERBED
CAUSED A MATTER
COLLISION WITH THE
NUKE SUB, WHICH
TRIGGERED AN
EXPLOSION...!

...MY
GUESS IS
THAT THE
BLUE HOLE
VANISHED.

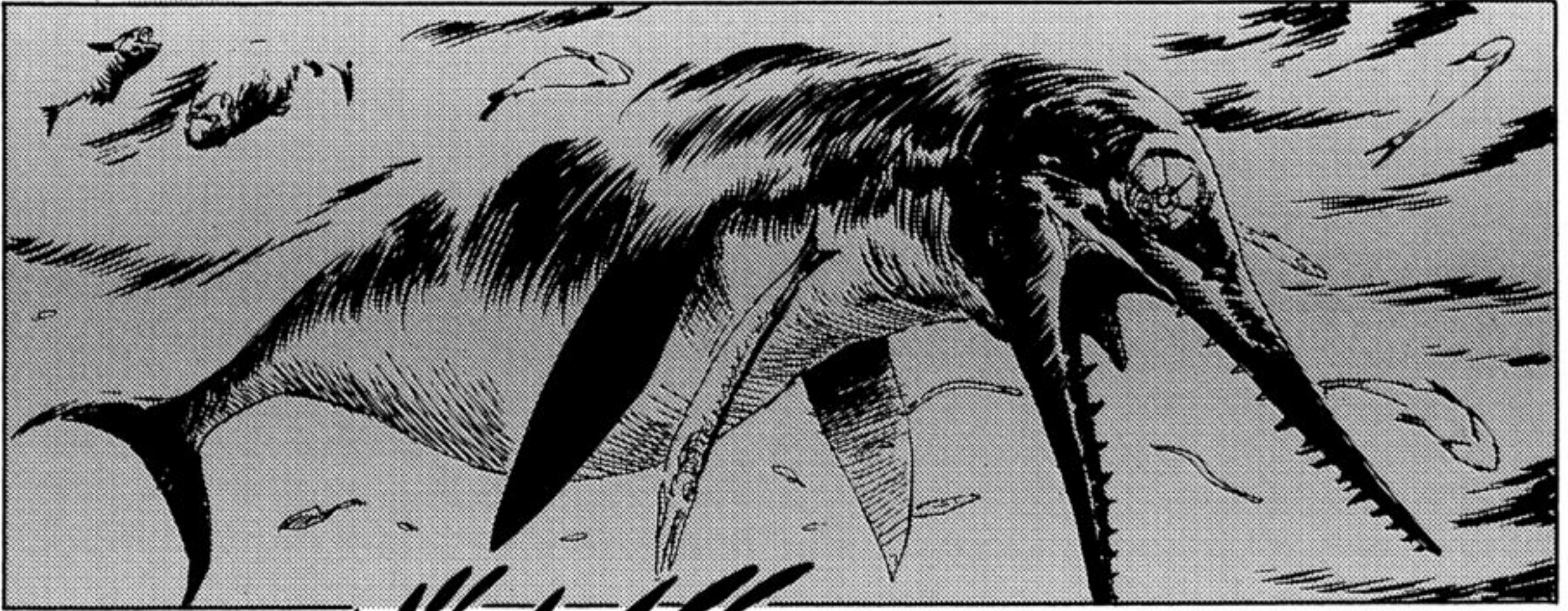






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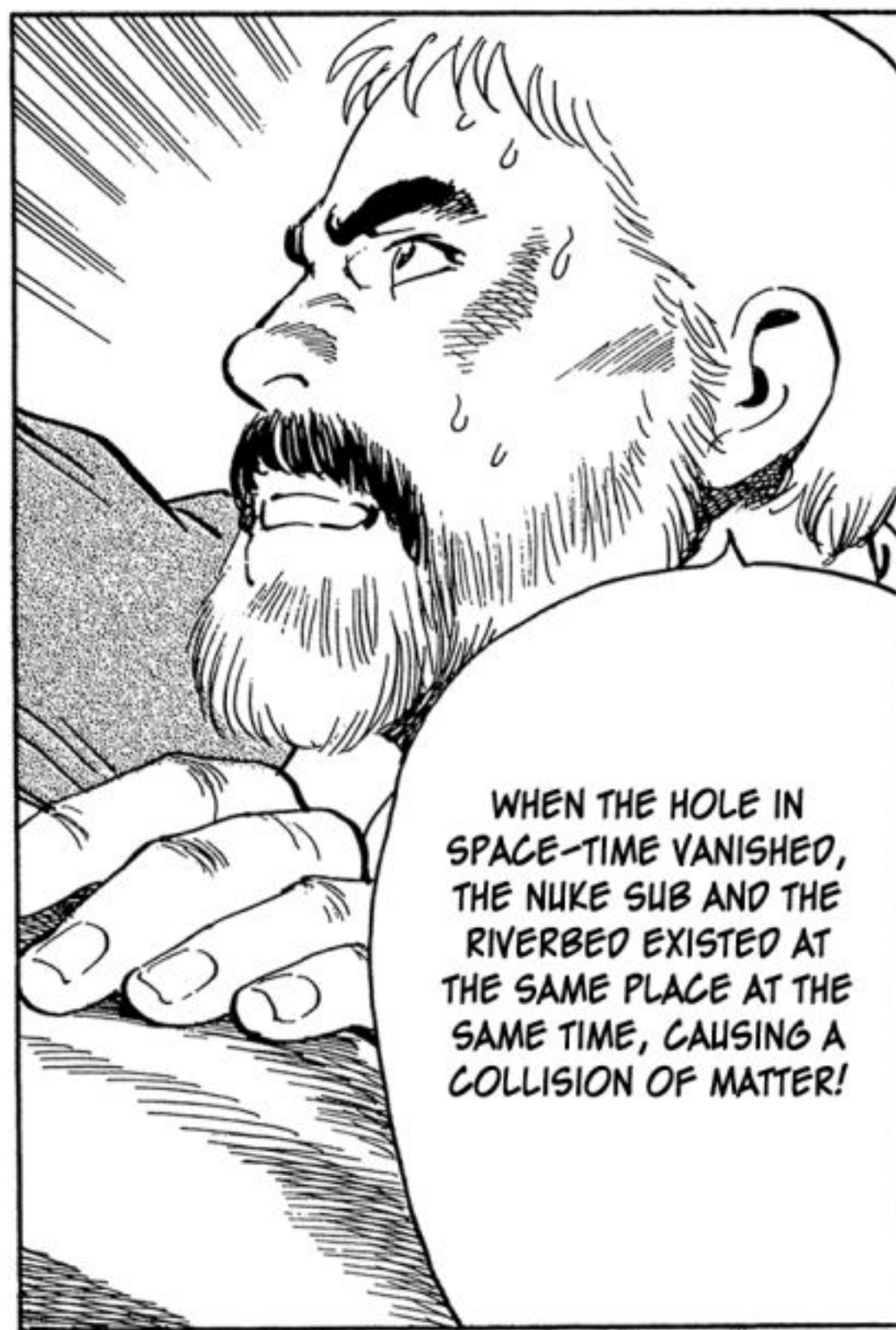
Bedlam





BUT IT LOOKS LIKE
THE EXPLOSION WAS
SMALL-SCALE, ALL
THINGS CONSIDERED.
IT MUST'VE ONLY BEEN
A SMALL PART OF THE
NUKE SUB THAT
COLLIDED.

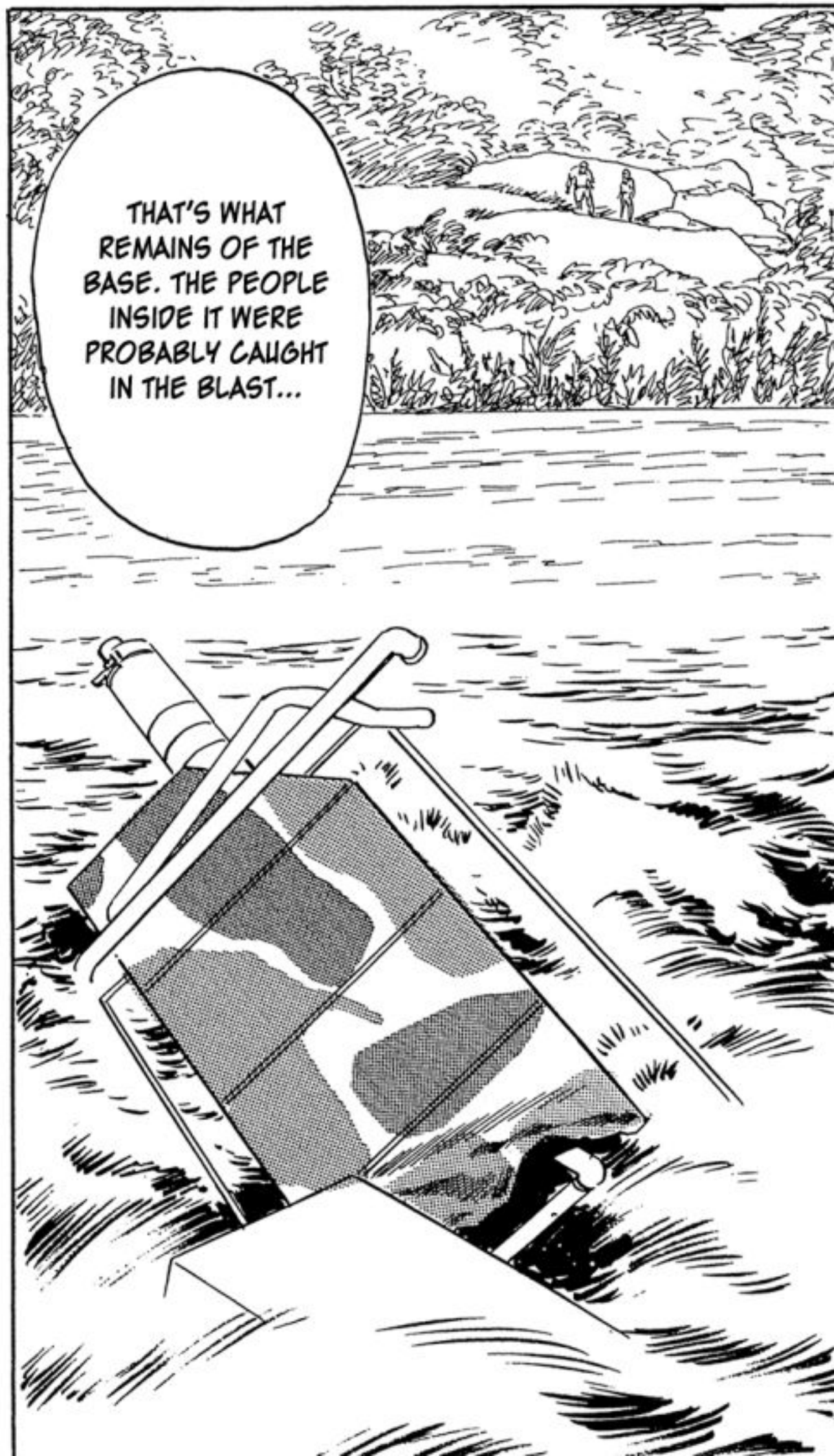
IF IT WAS
ANY BIGGER,
WE'D BE DEAD
BY NOW.



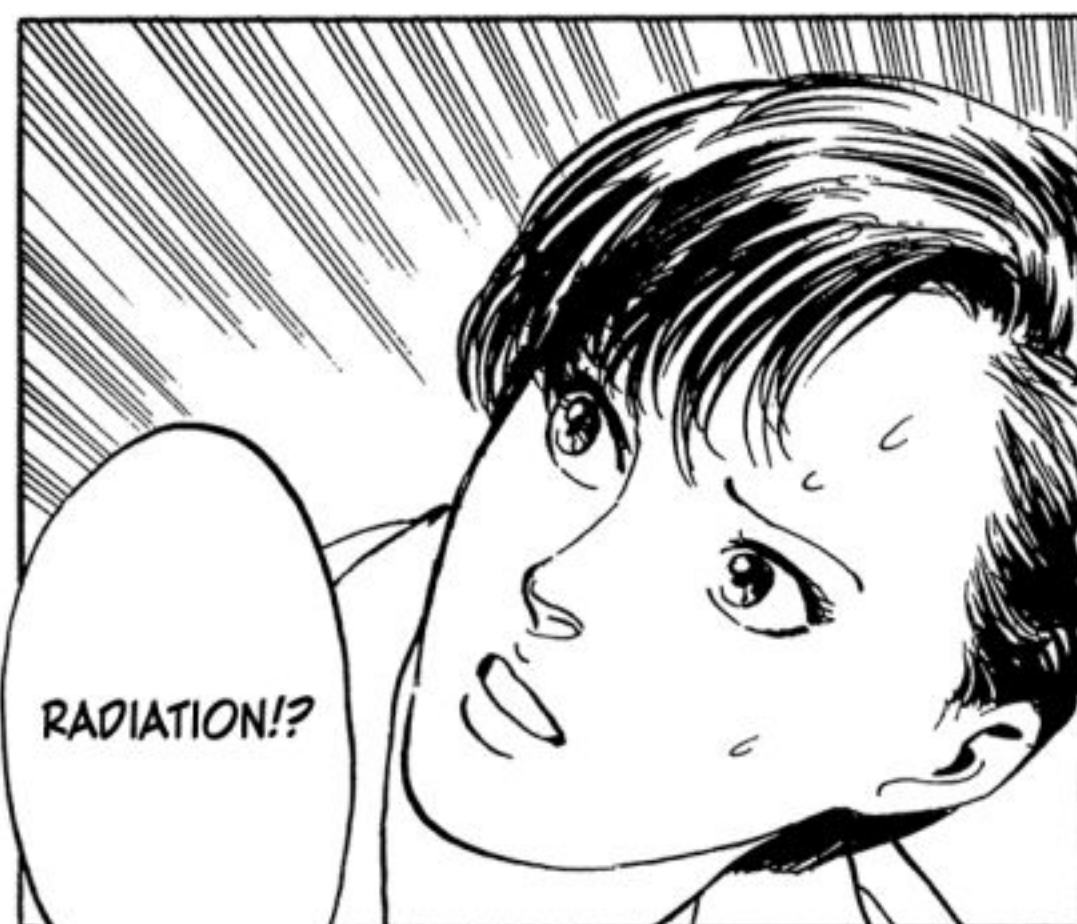
WHEN THE HOLE IN
SPACE-TIME VANISHED,
THE NUKESUB AND THE
RIVERBED EXISTED AT
THE SAME PLACE AT THE
SAME TIME, CAUSING A
COLLISION OF MATTER!



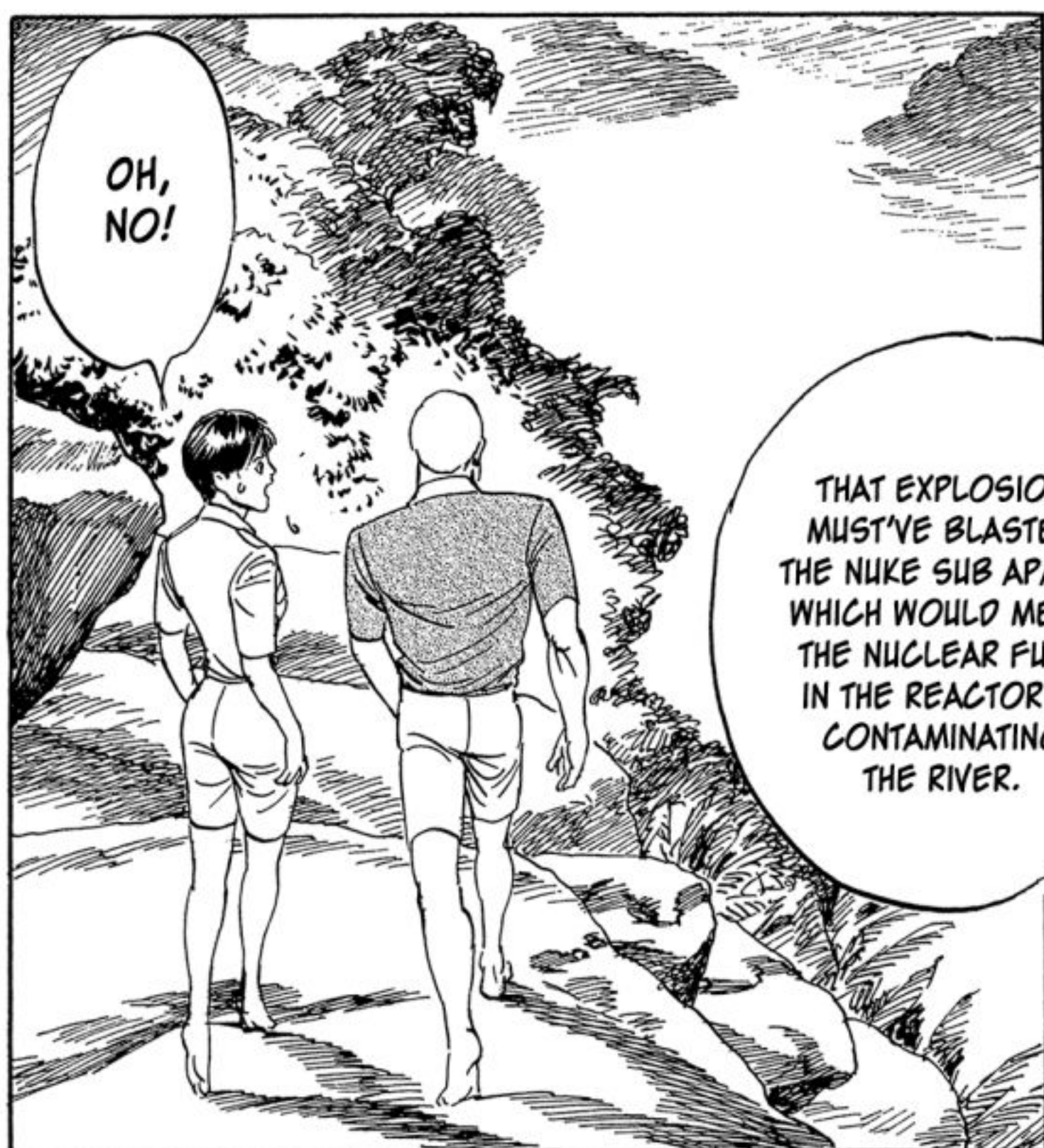
IT'S A SHAME,
BUT THERE'S NOTHING
WE CAN DO FOR THEM.
WE'D BETTER GET AS
FAR AWAY FROM THE
RIVER AS WE CAN, OR
WE'LL BE EXPOSED
TO RADIATION.



THAT'S WHAT
REMAINS OF THE
BASE. THE PEOPLE
INSIDE IT WERE
PROBABLY CAUGHT
IN THE BLAST...



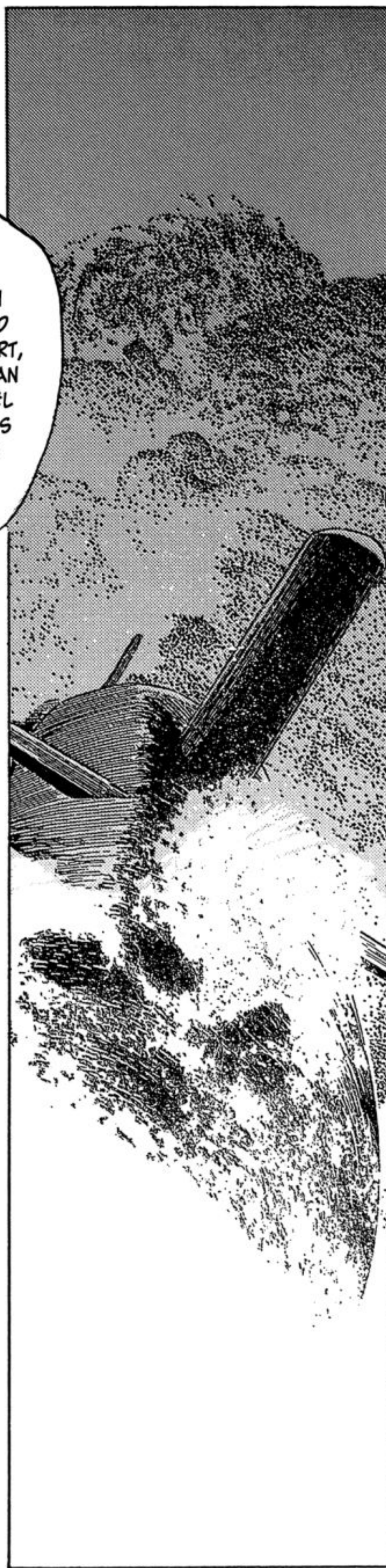
RADIATION!?



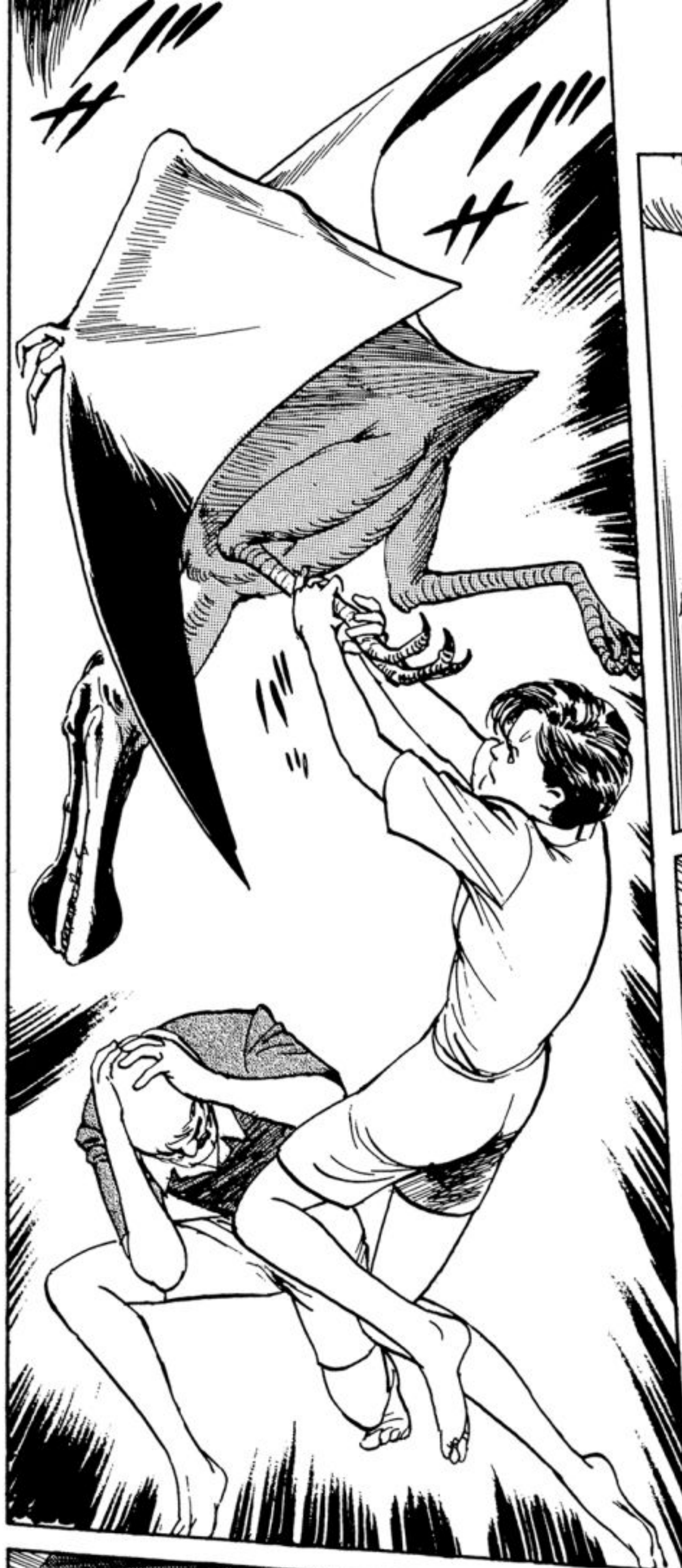
THAT EXPLOSION
MUST'VE BLASTED
THE NUKE SUB APART,
WHICH WOULD MEAN
THE NUCLEAR FUEL
IN THE REACTOR IS
CONTAMINATING
THE RIVER.

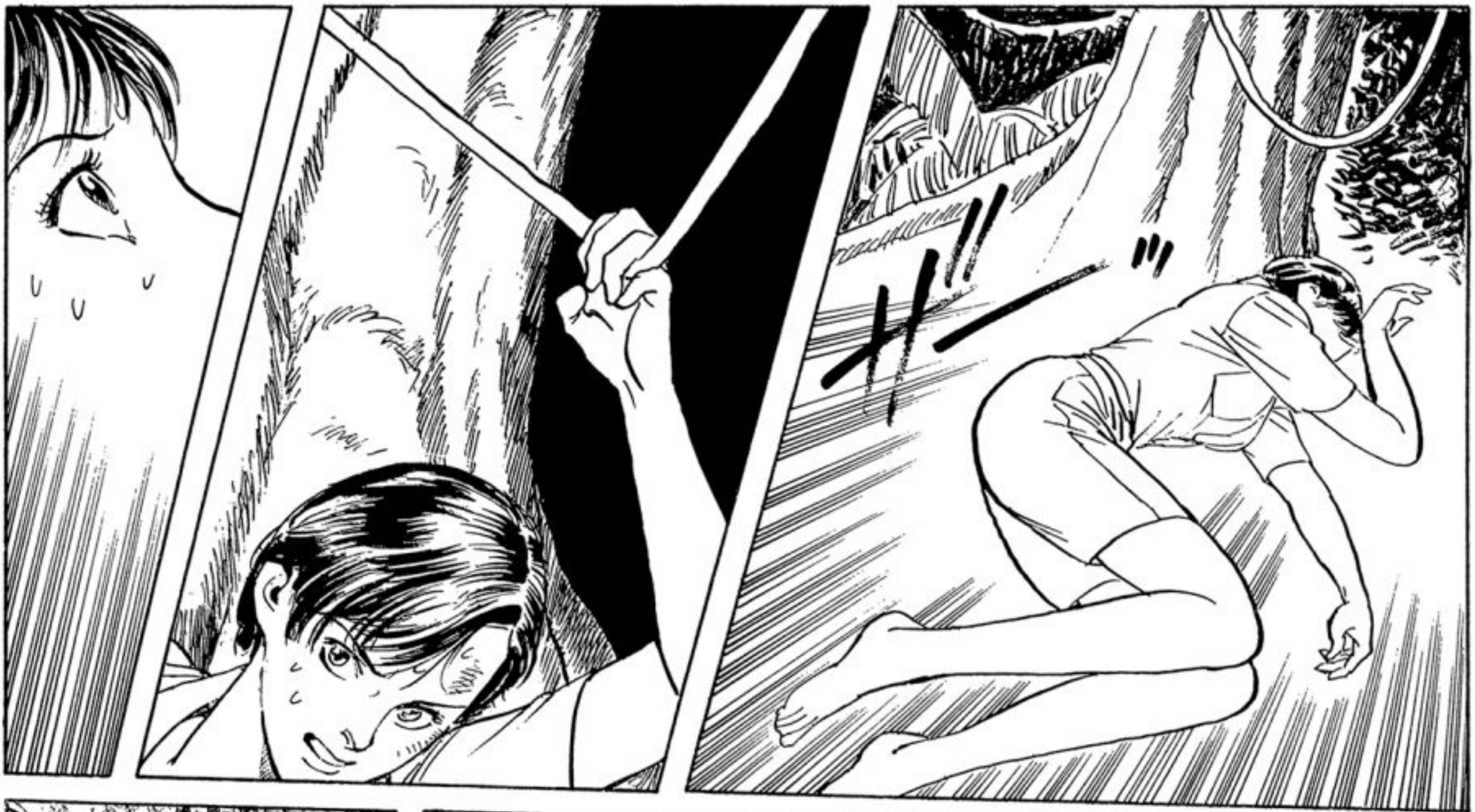


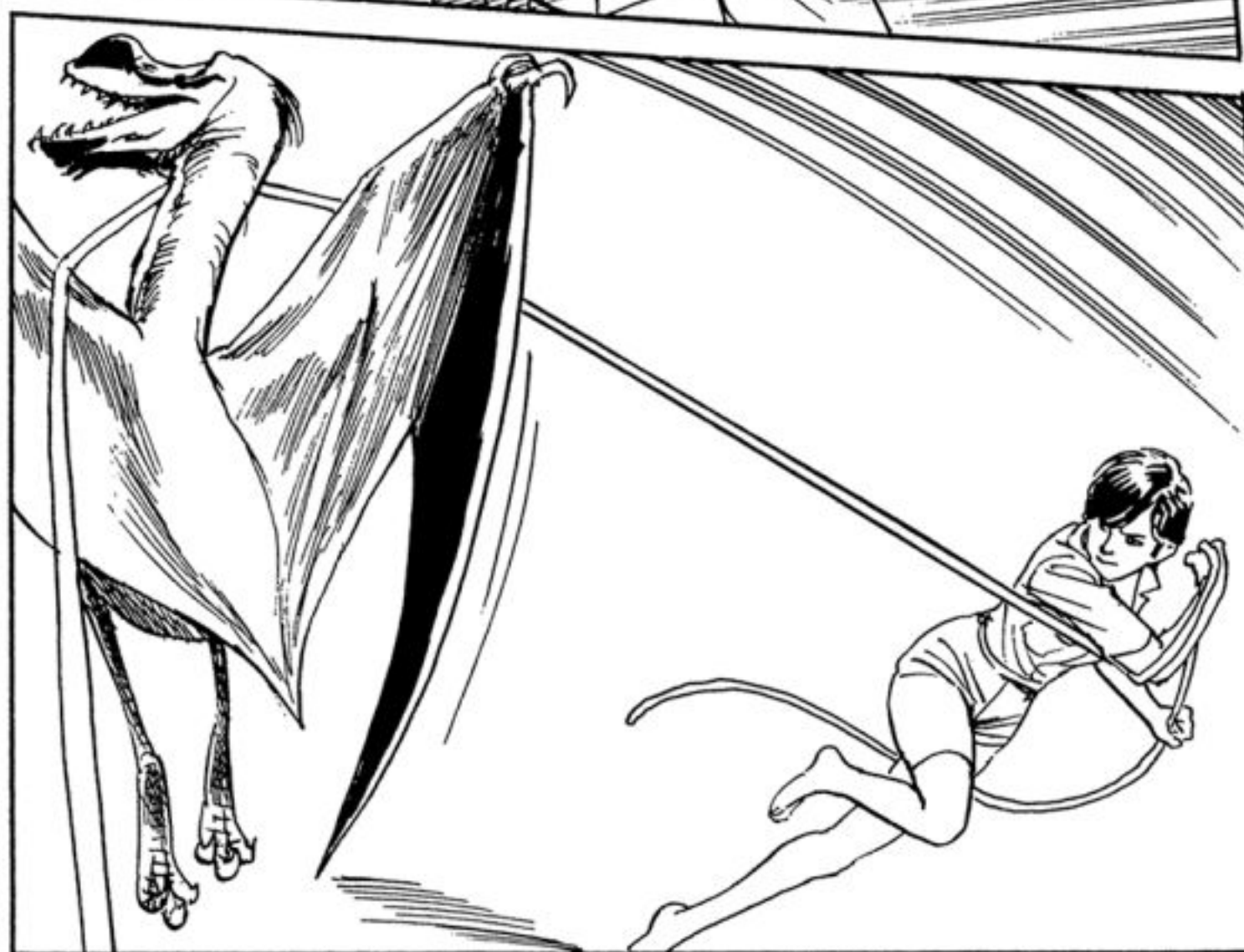
WE HAVE
TO GO WARN
PAT AND THE
LANDING
PARTY!

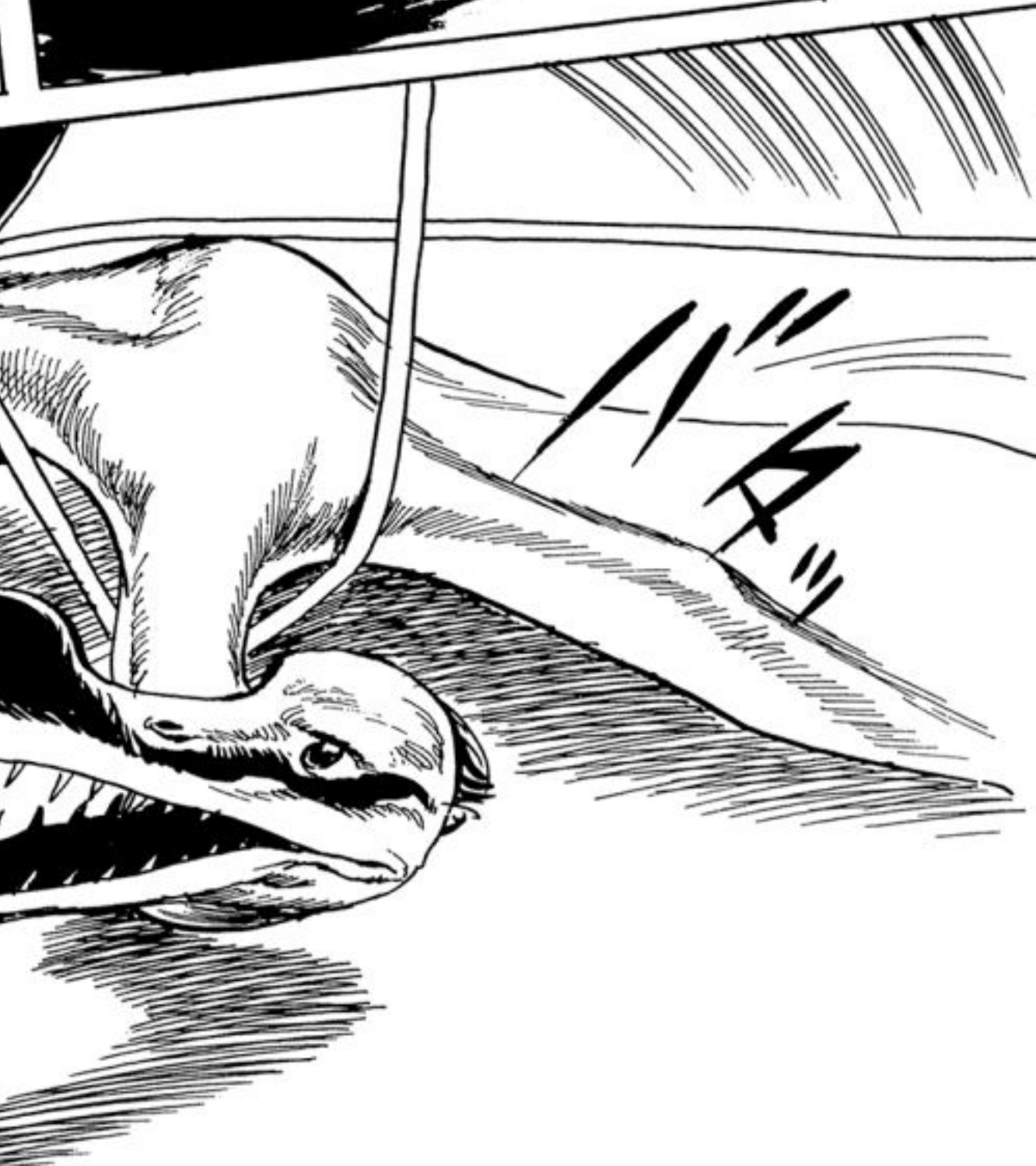
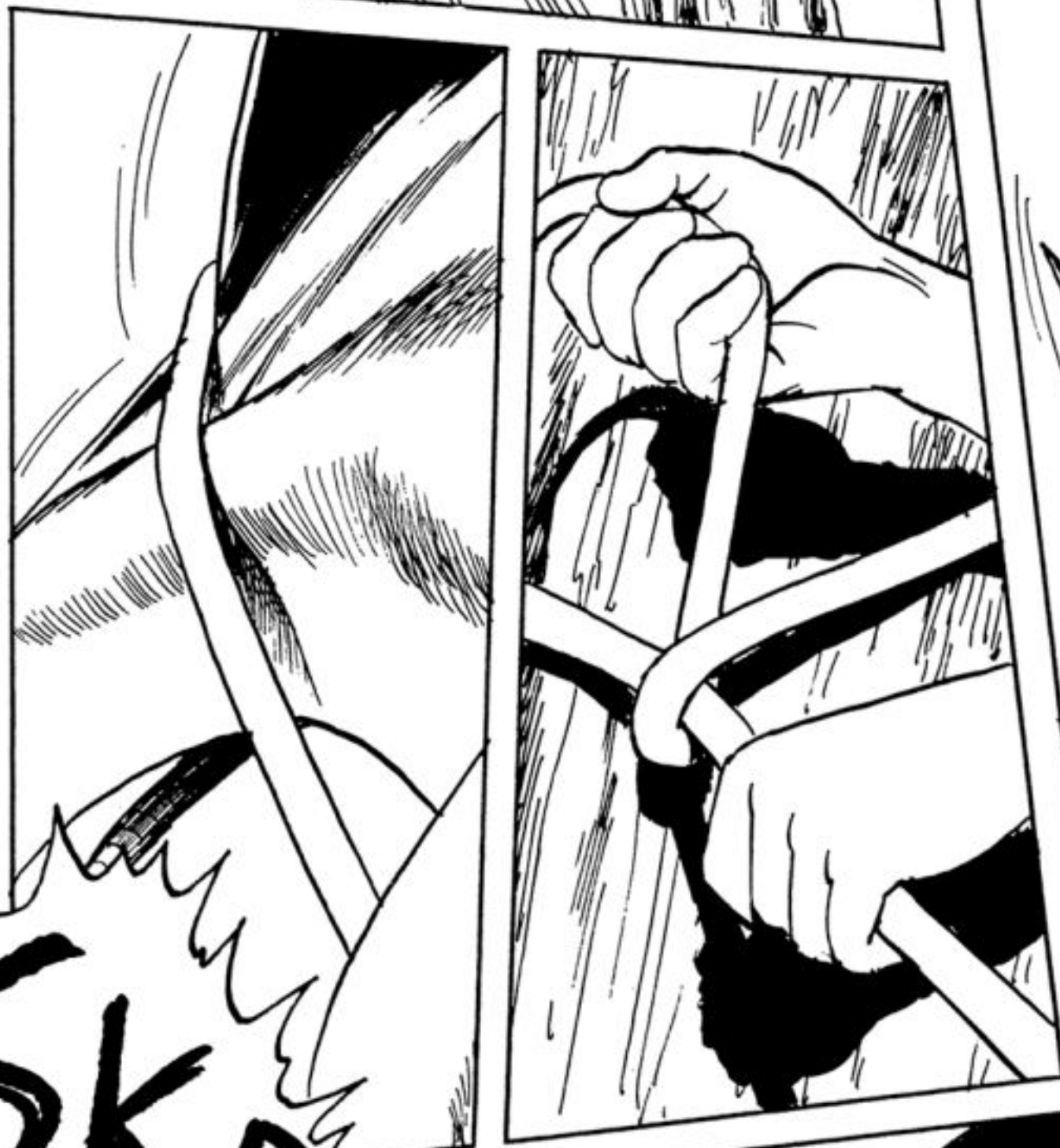














THERE'S
A SORT OF
BLOODTHIRSTY
AIR HERE...

I'VE BEEN
NOTICING
SOMETHING
STRANGE IN
THE AIR FOR
SOME TIME
NOW.



I... I'M
ALRIGHT.
THANKS,
JEAN.

ARE YOU
HURT?



STRANGE.
THAT SPECIES
OF DINOSAUR
SHOULD ONLY
PREY ON SMALL
ANIMALS.

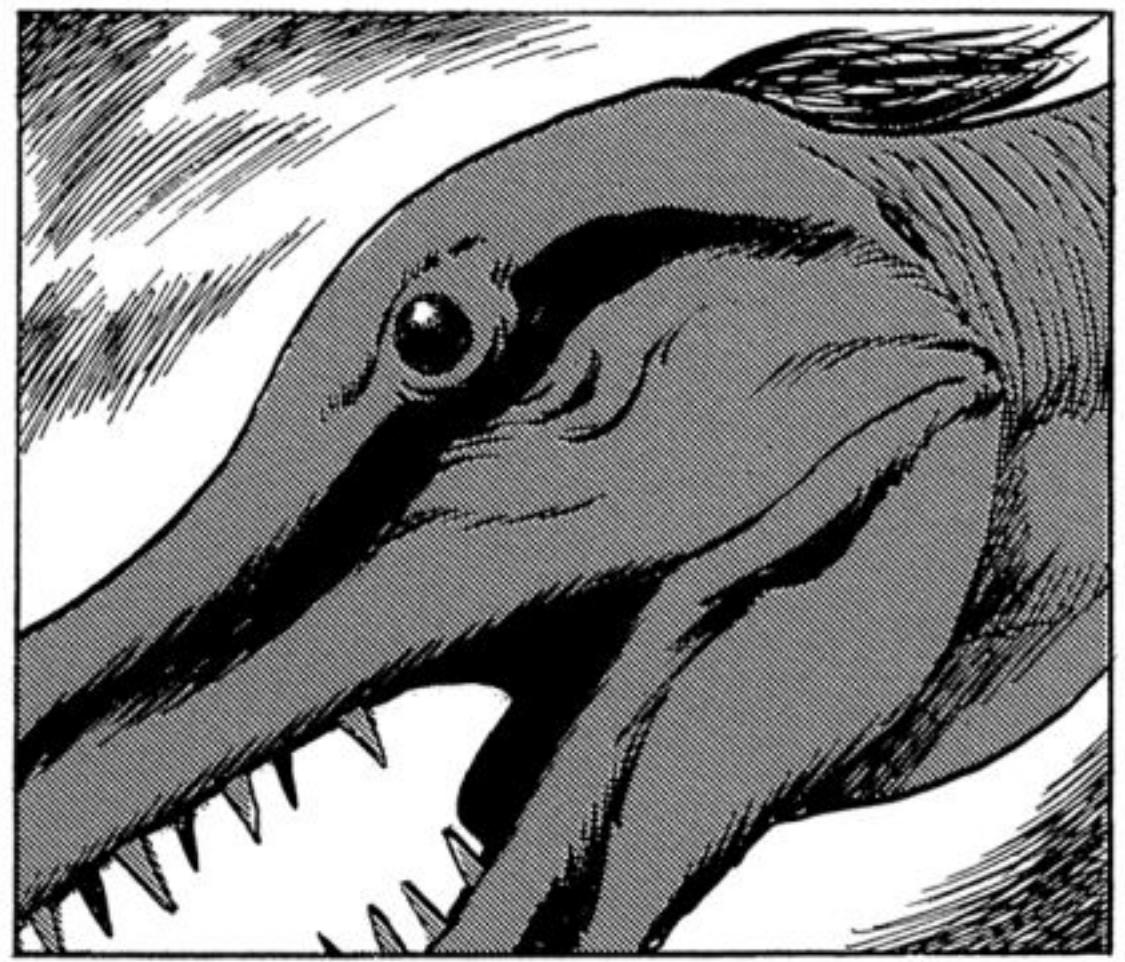
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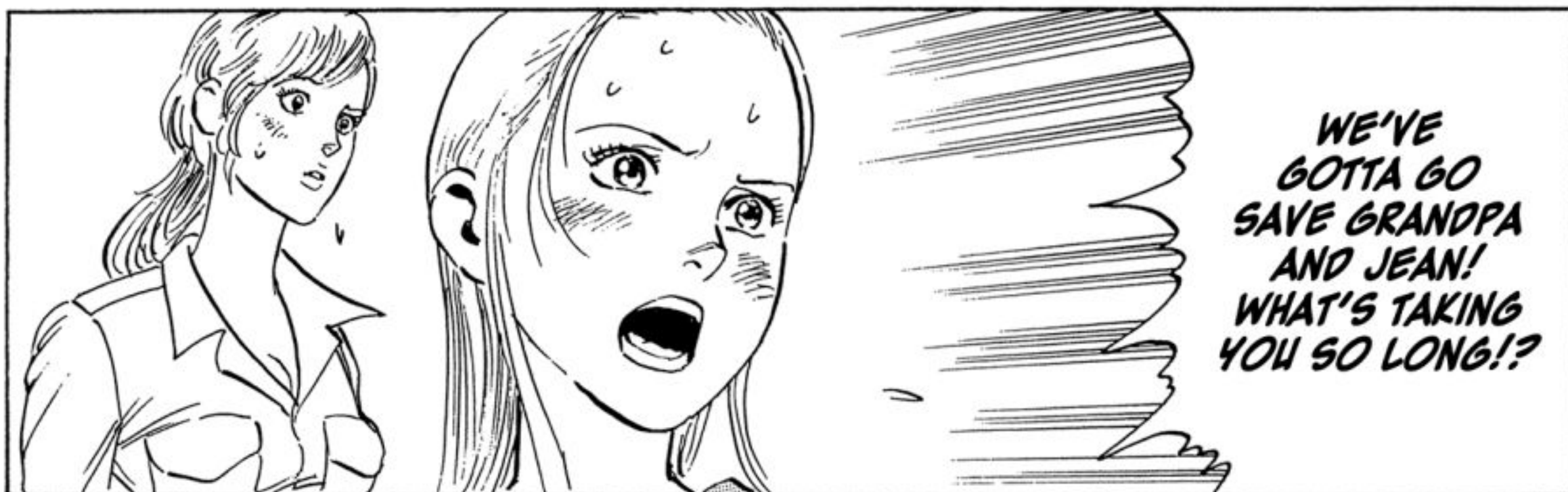


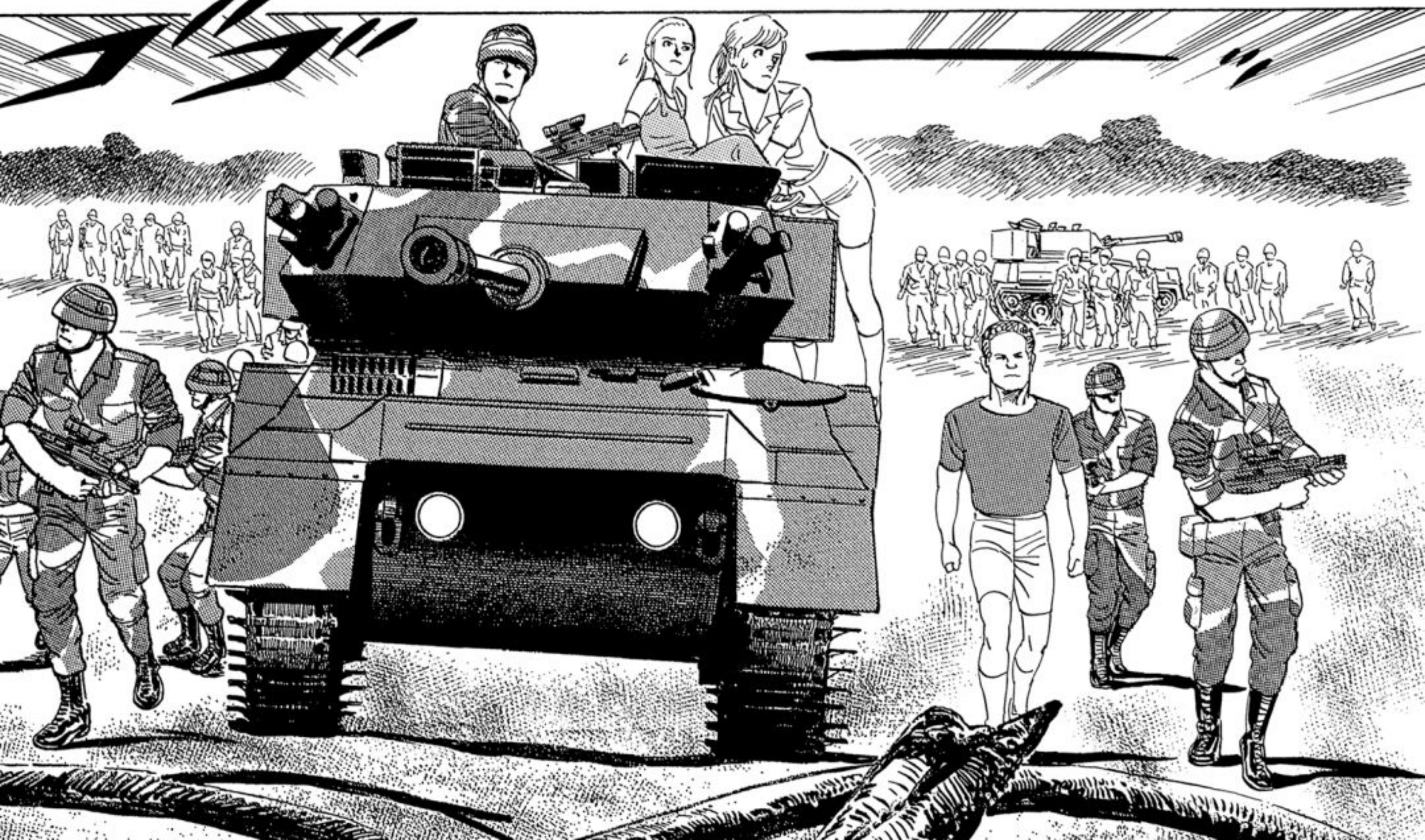
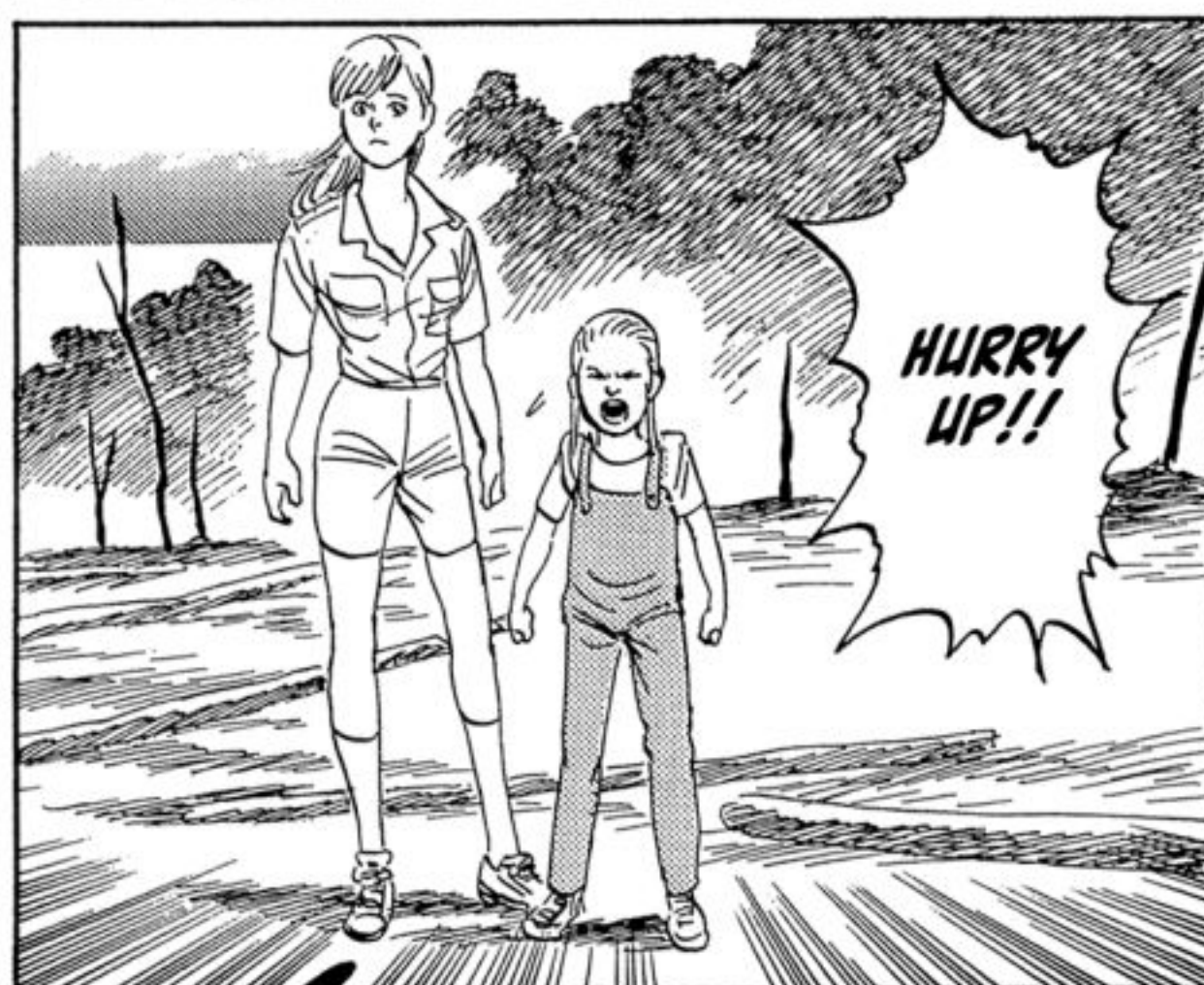
AND TO
MAKE MATTERS
WORSE, THIS IS
THE JURASSIC
WORLD. WE'D
BETTER HURRY!

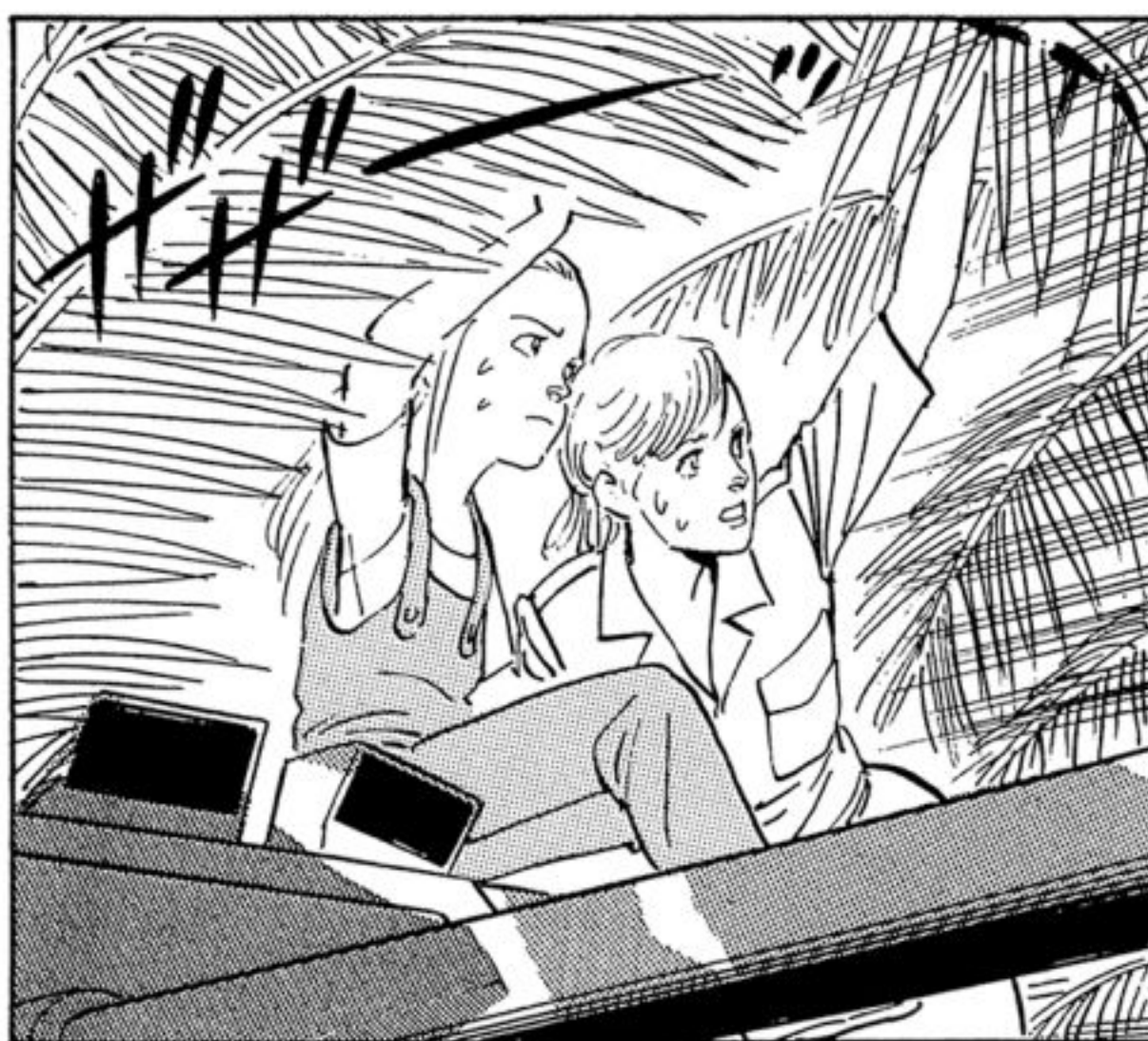
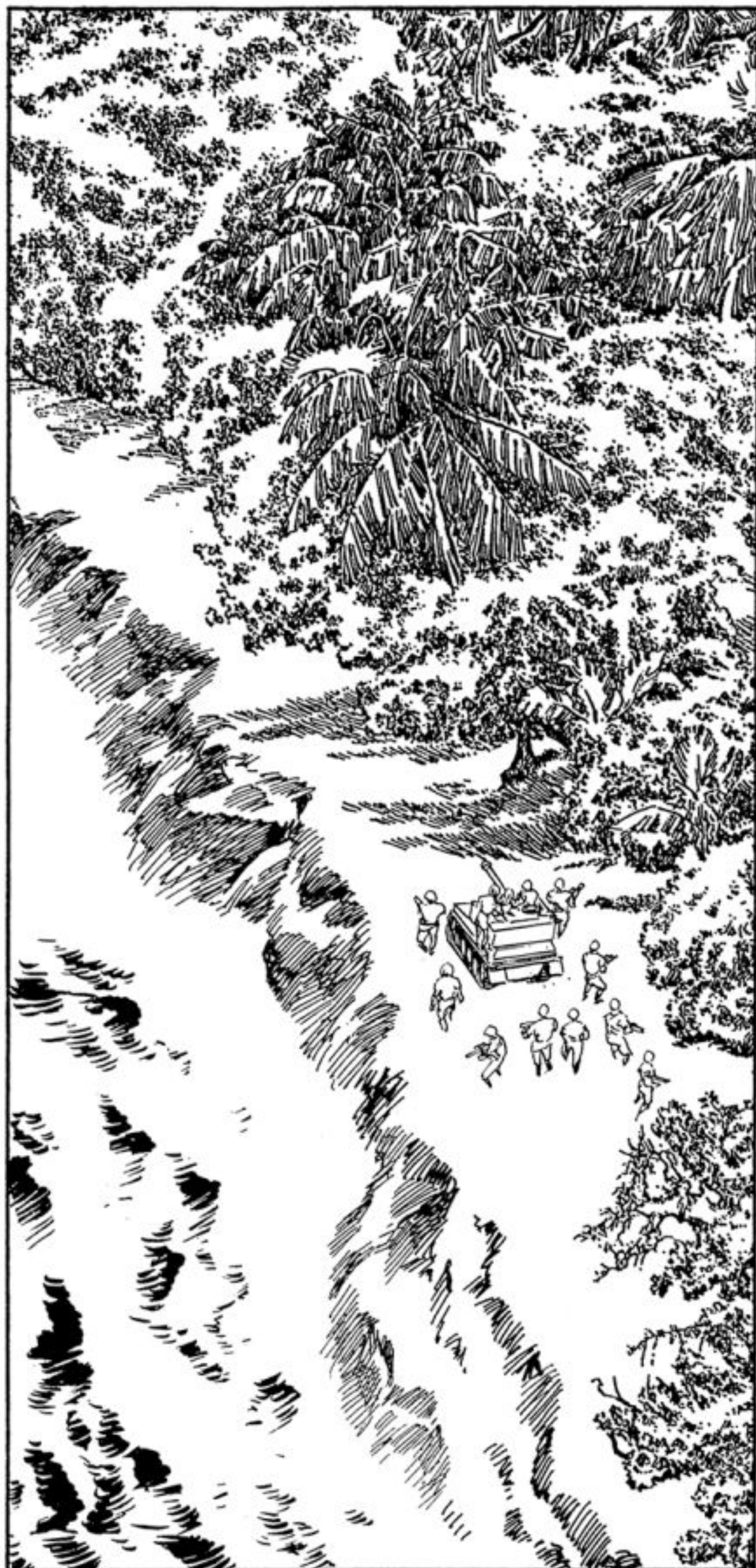
BETWEEN
THE SHELLING
YESTERDAY AND THE
EXPLOSION TODAY,
ALL THE ANIMALS
ARE GOING TO
BE ON EDGE.



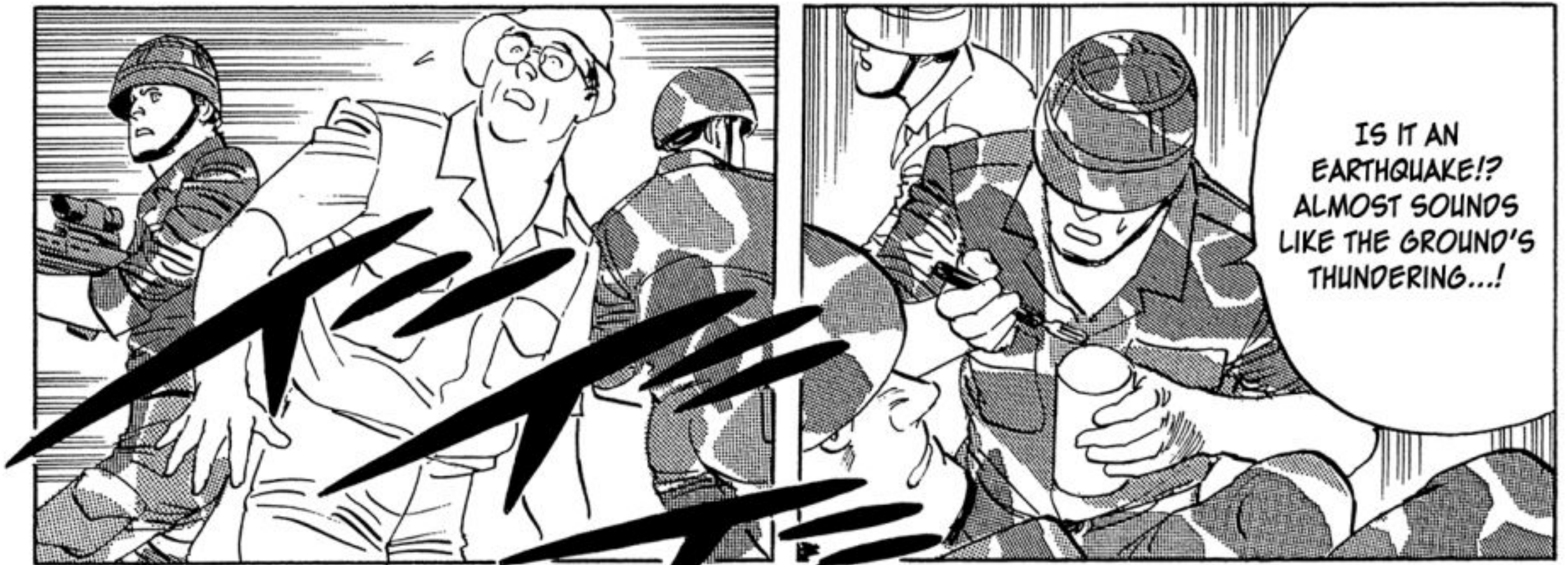
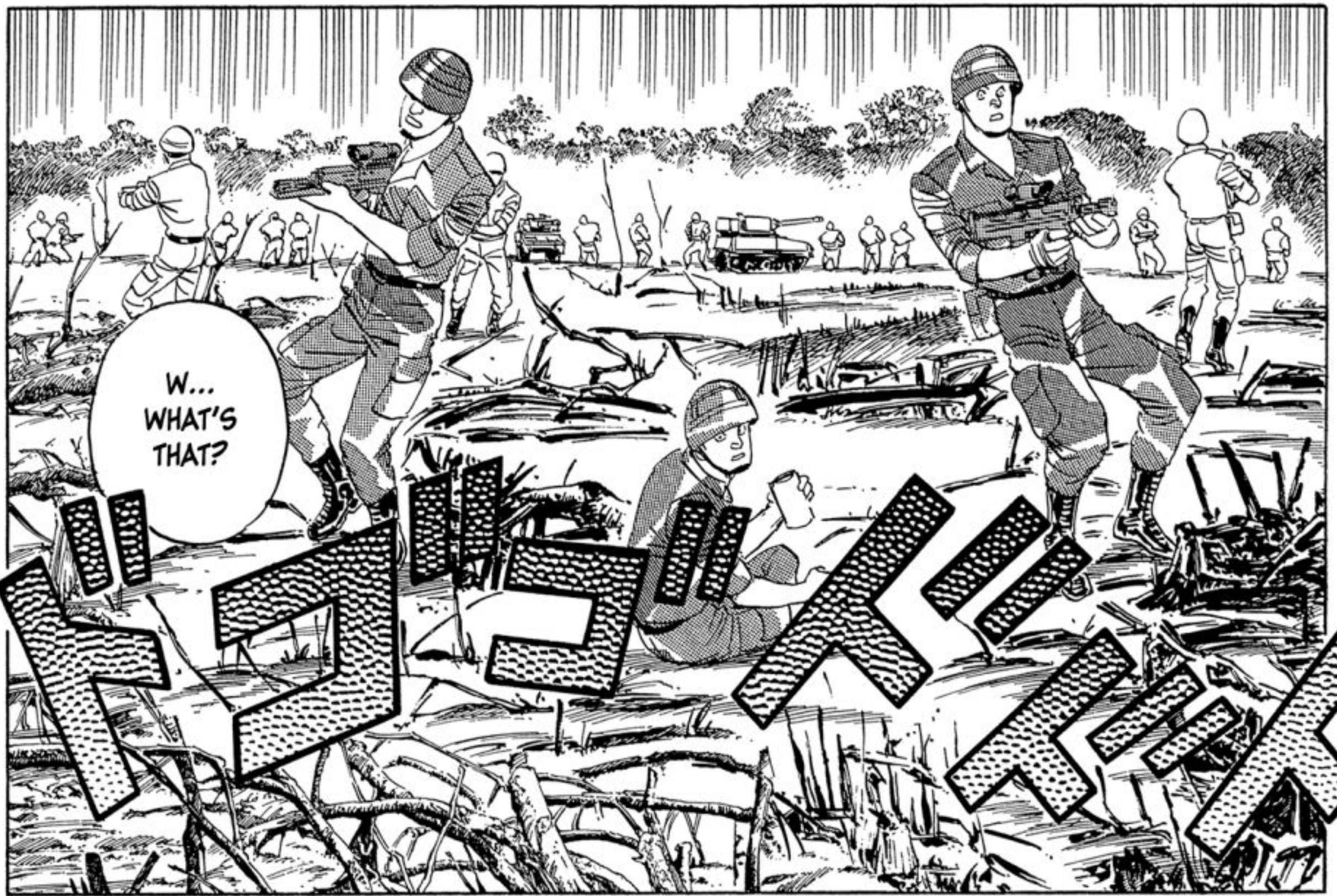






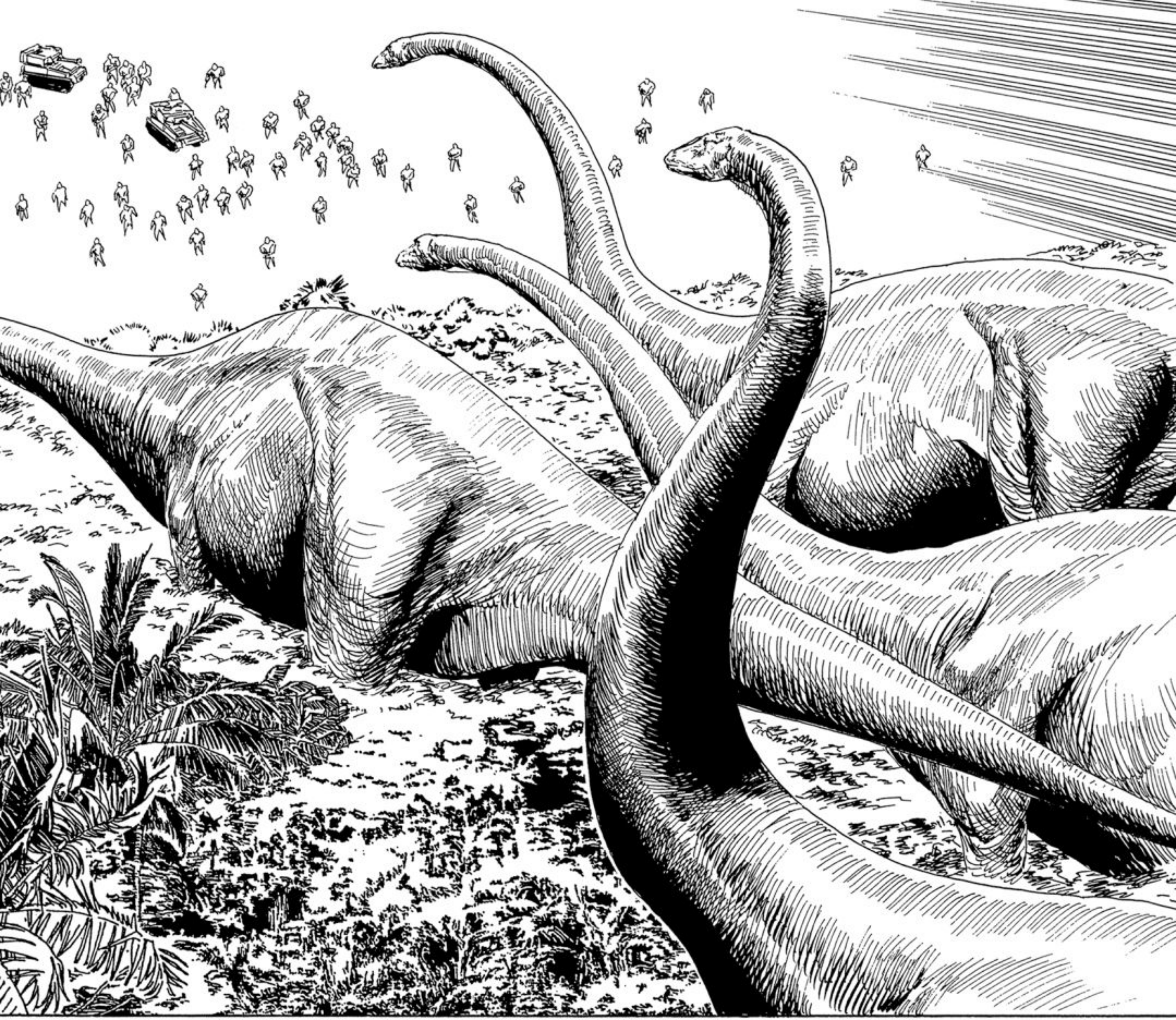


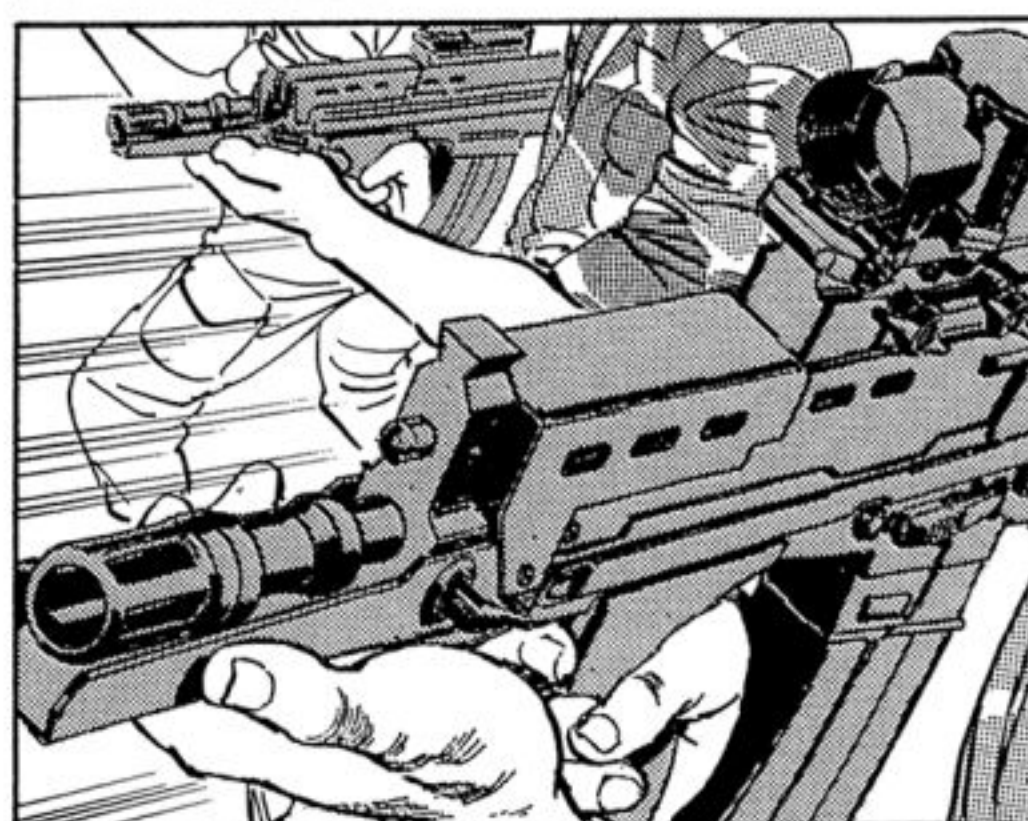
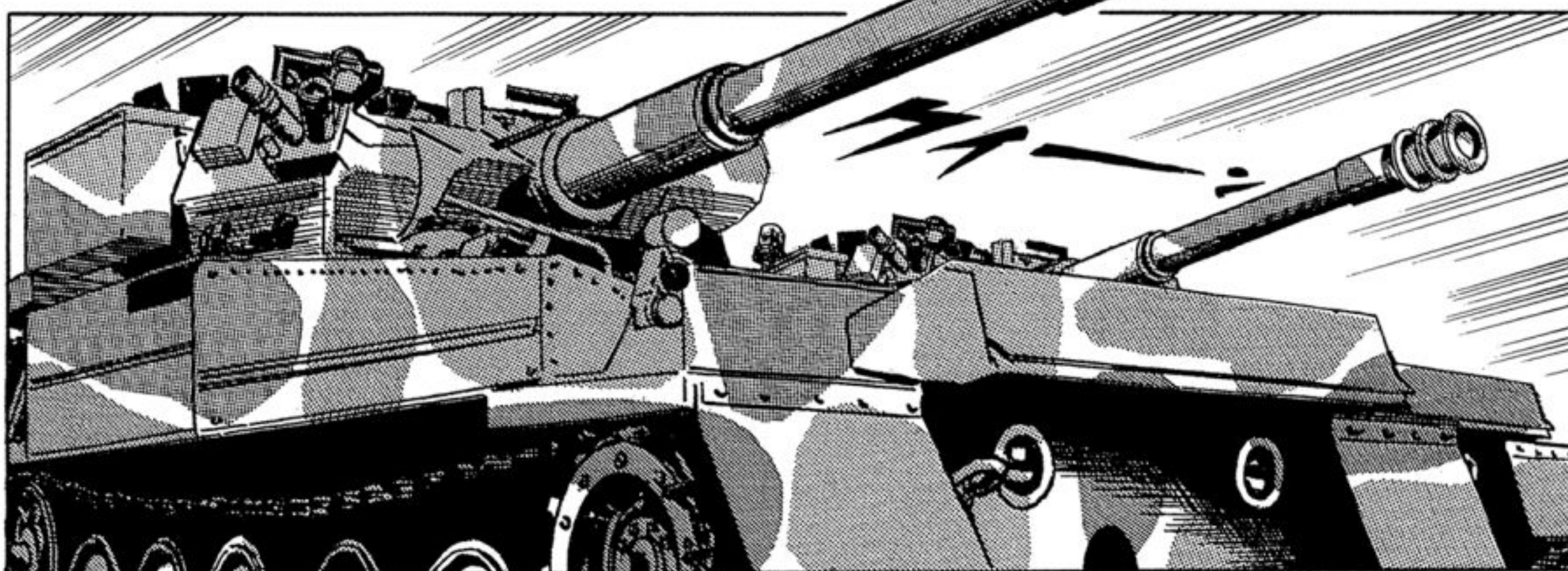














THEY'RE NOT
LIKE HORSES
OR COWS!
THEY'RE THE
BIGGEST ANIMALS
IN THE HISTORY
OF THE EARTH!



OUT OF THE
WAY! THEY'LL
RUN AWAY IF
WE SPOOK
THEM!

THEY'RE TIMID
HERBIVORES!
THEY'LL ONLY
BE MORE
DANGEROUS
WHEN
STARTLED!



THEY COULD
GO BERSERK
TO PROTECT
THEMSELVES!!
AND THEY'LL BE
UNSTOPPABLE!!

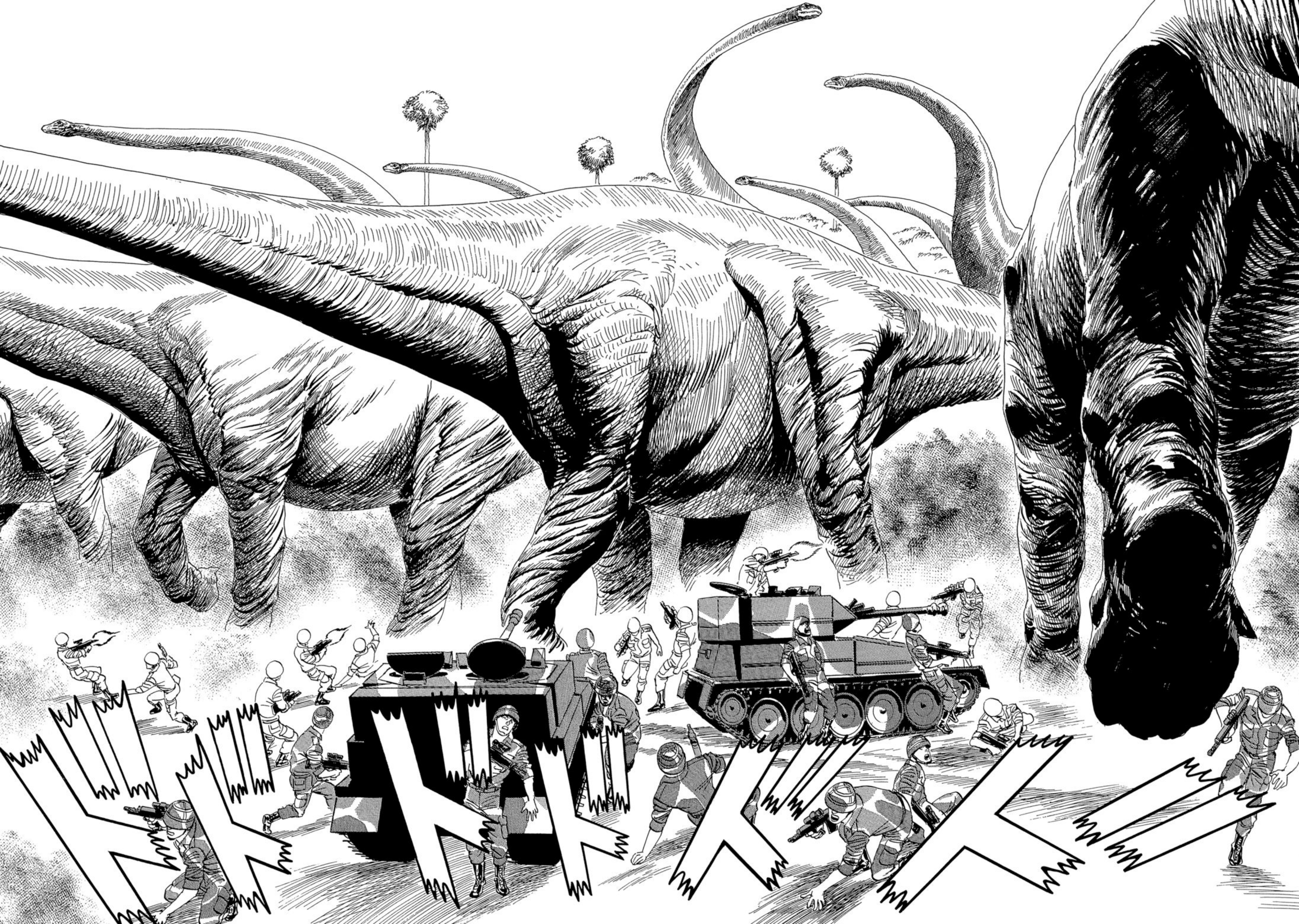


NEVER
MIND HIM!
OPEN FIRE!!



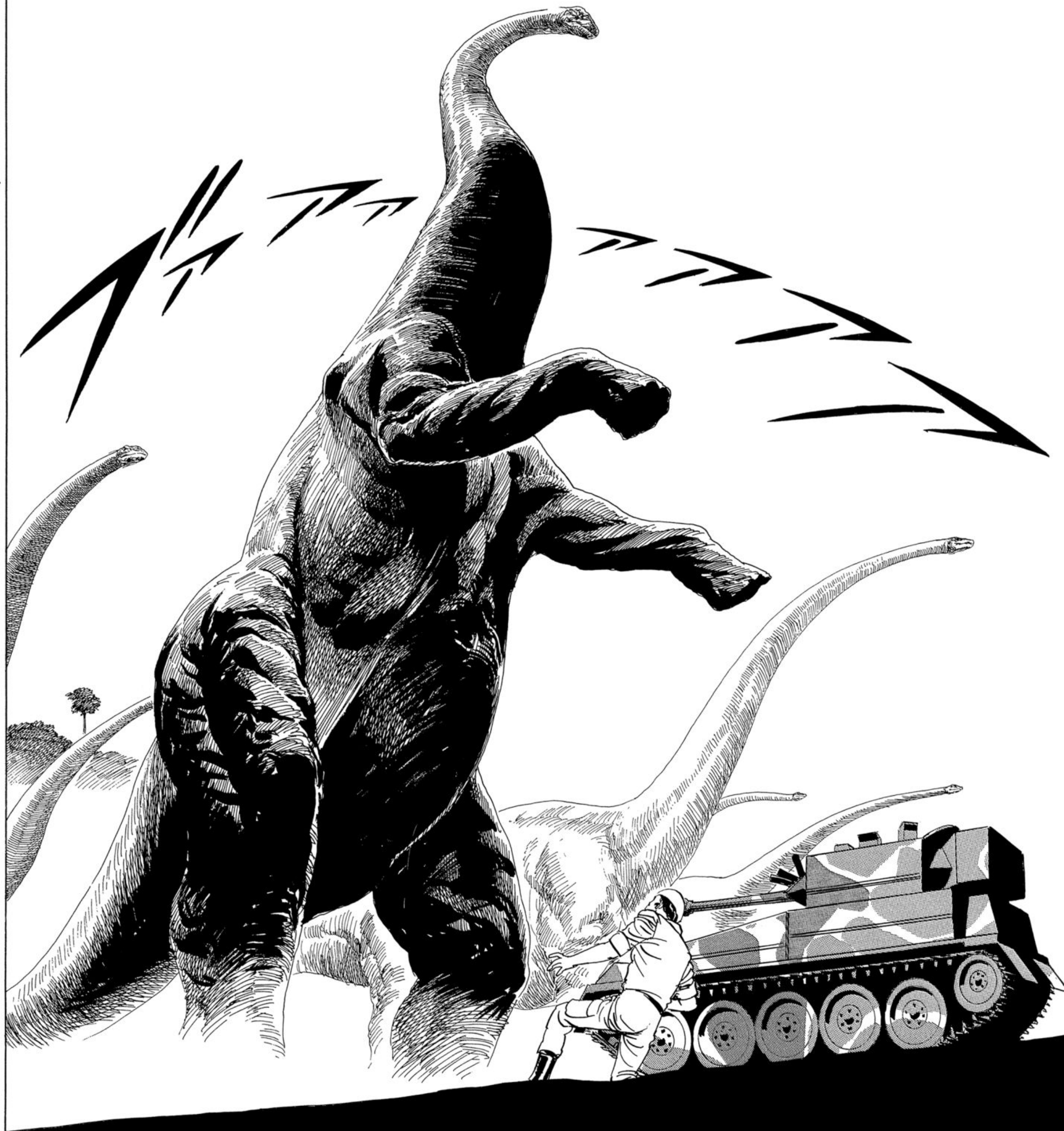
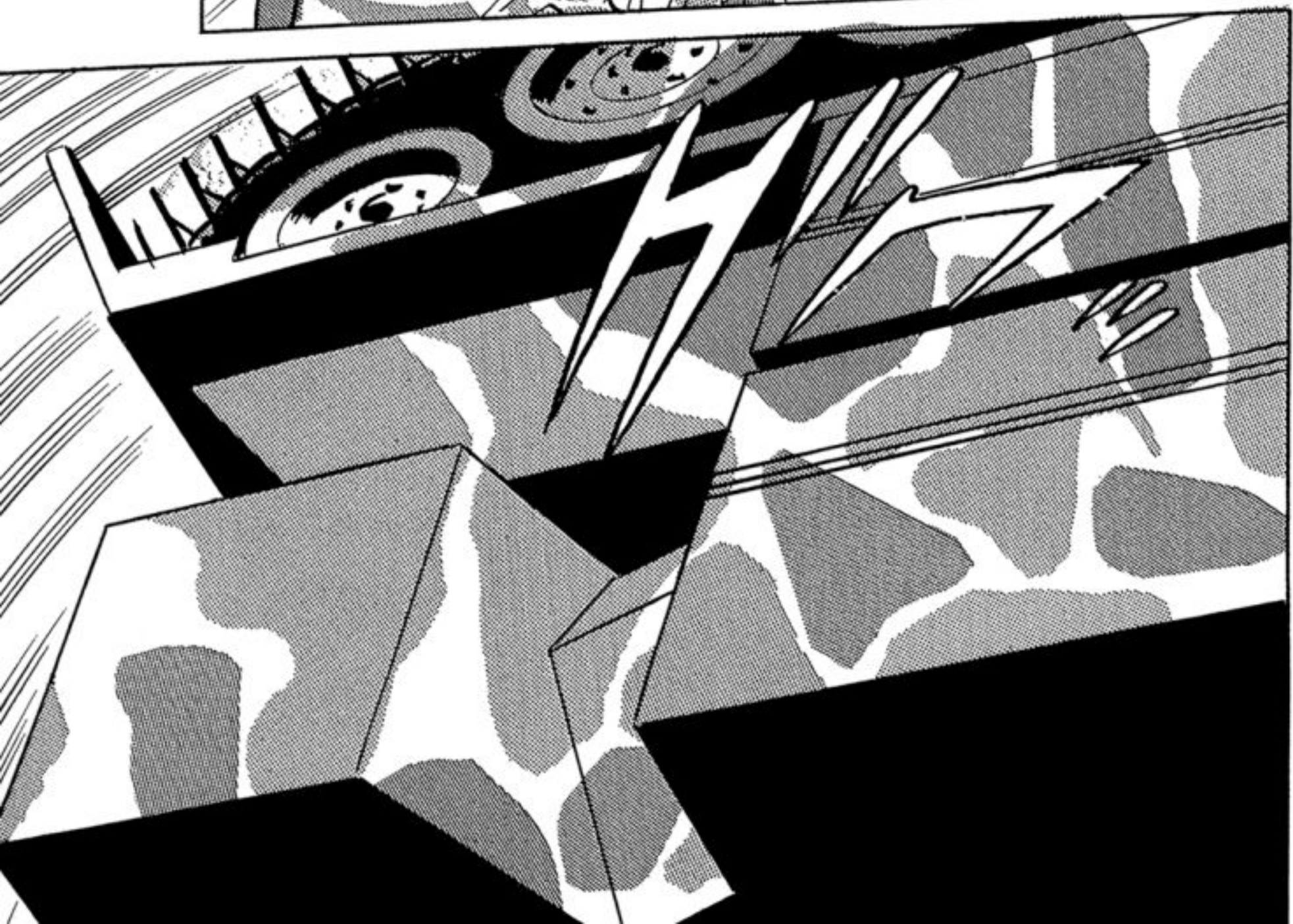
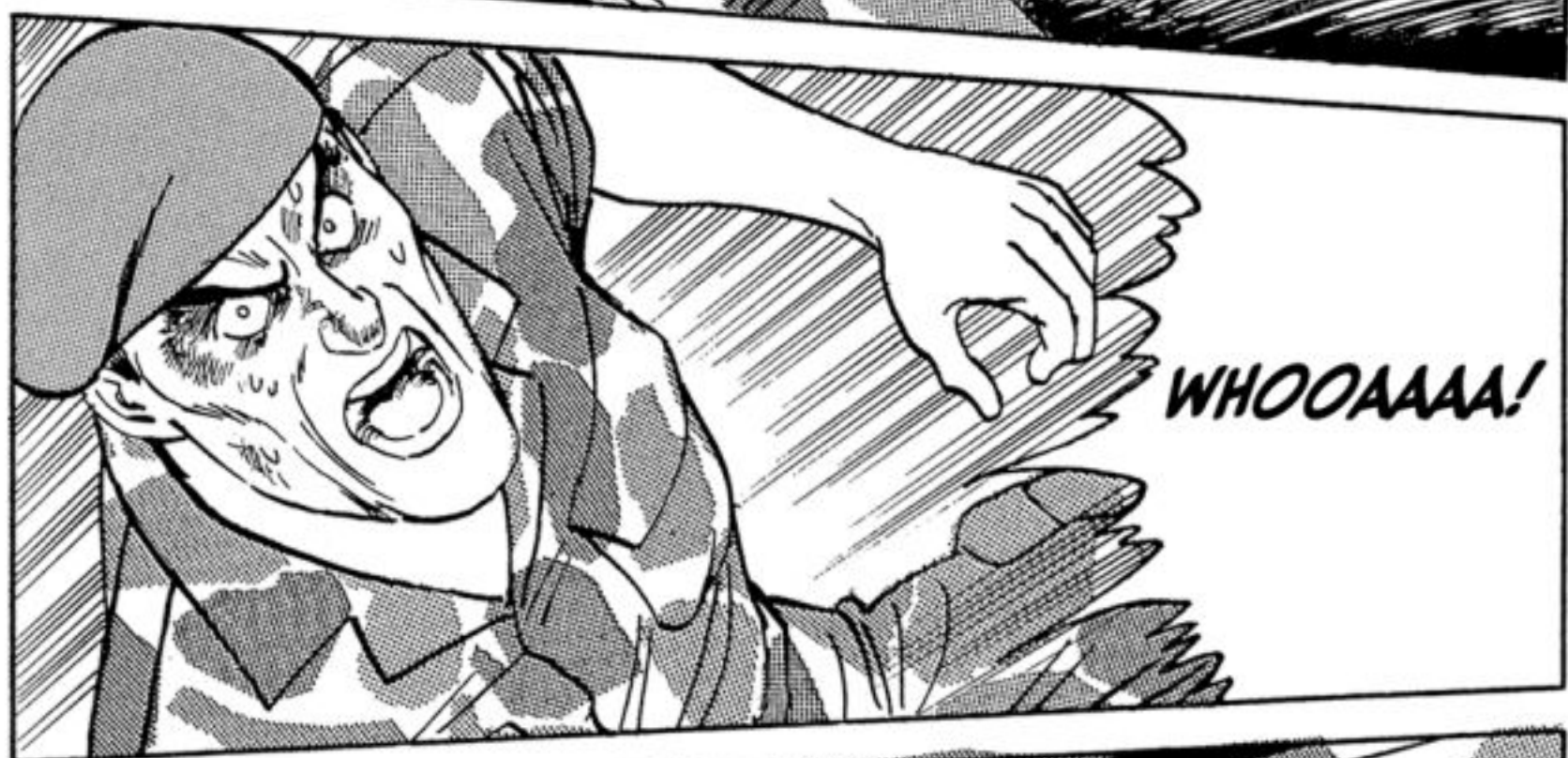




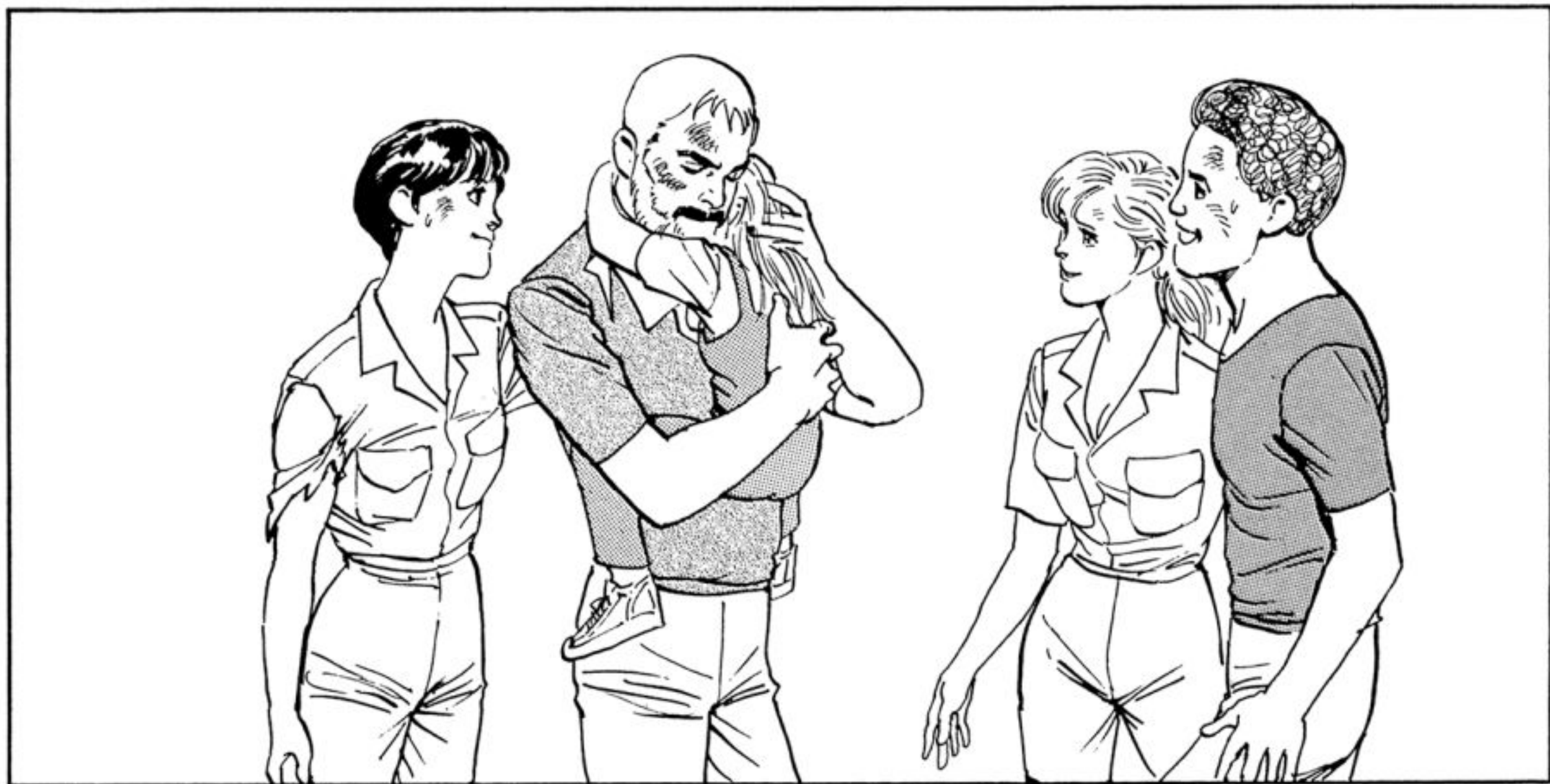
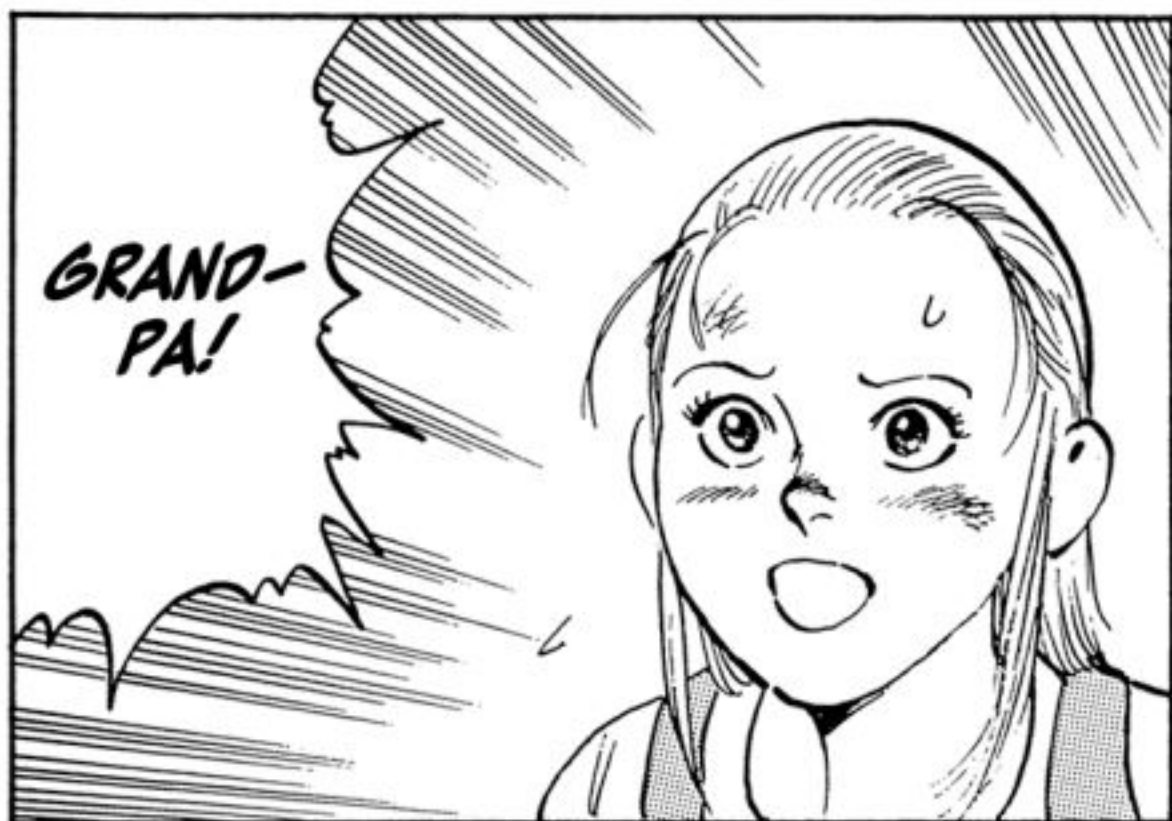














I JUST
HEARD WHAT
SOUNDED LIKE
AN EARTHQUAKE,
FOLLOWED BY
GUNFIRE. DO
YOU KNOW WHAT
THAT WAS?

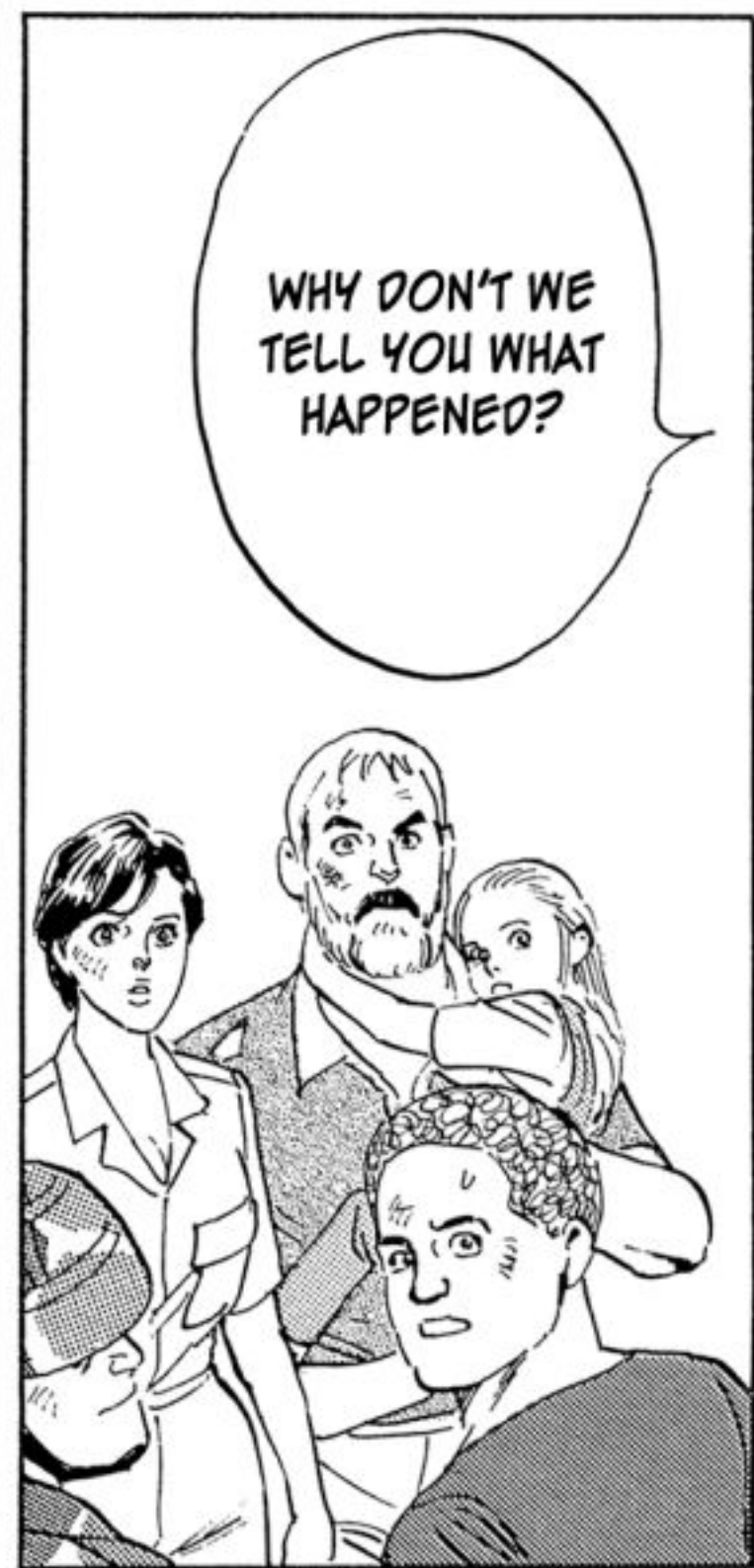
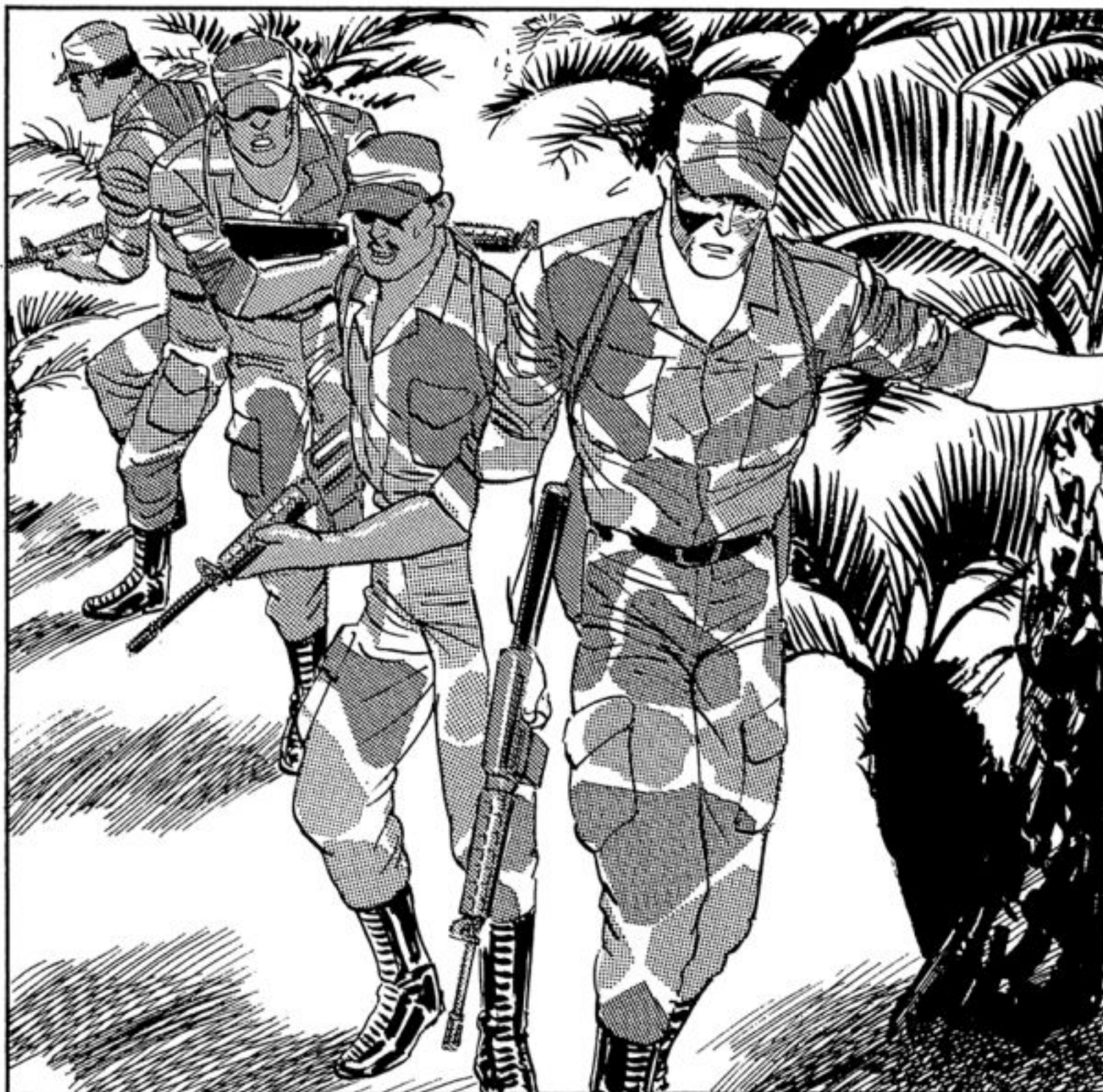


NO.
WE WERE JUST
TALKING ABOUT
WHETHER OR NOT
TO TURN BACK,
OURSELVES.

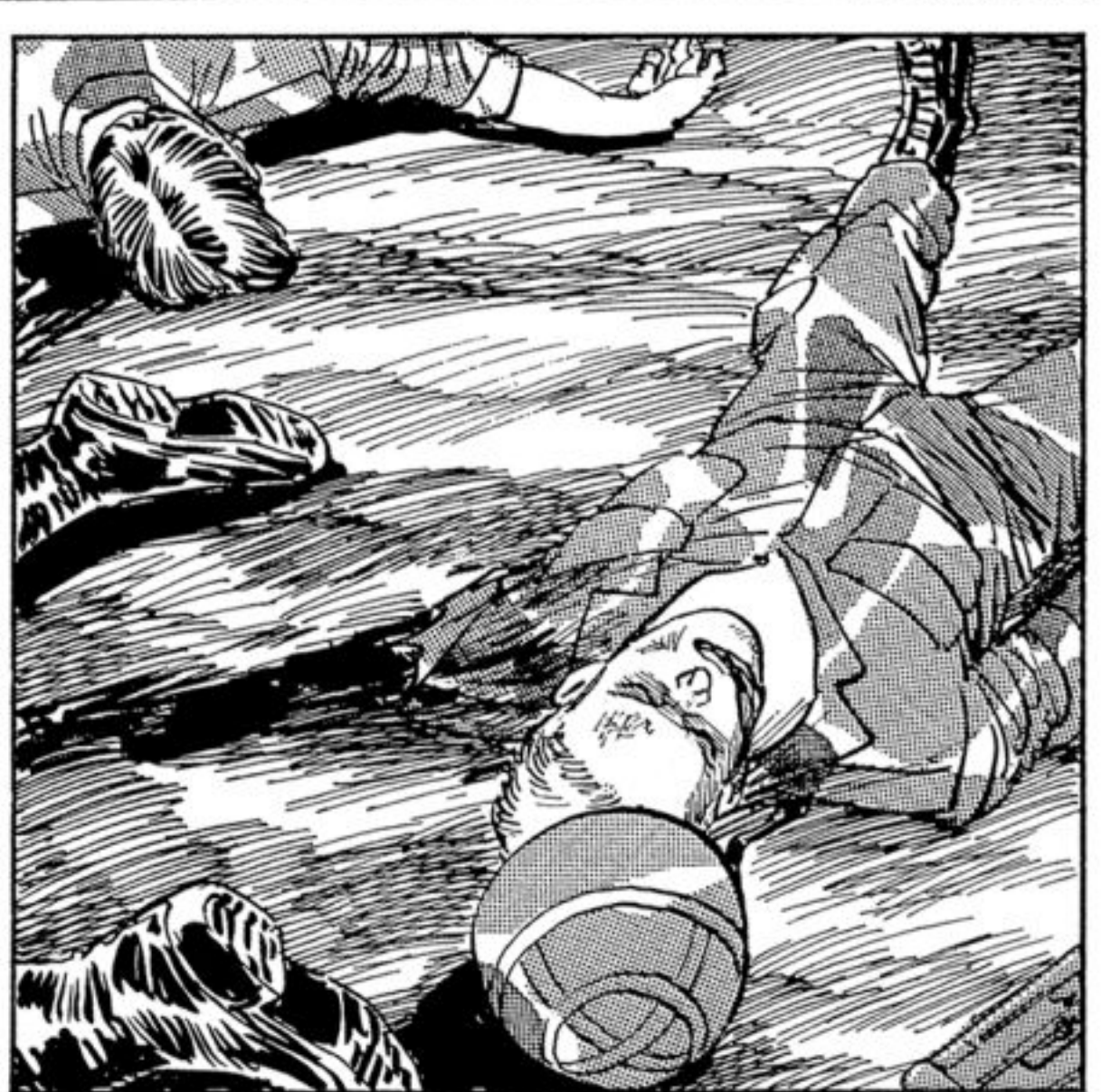


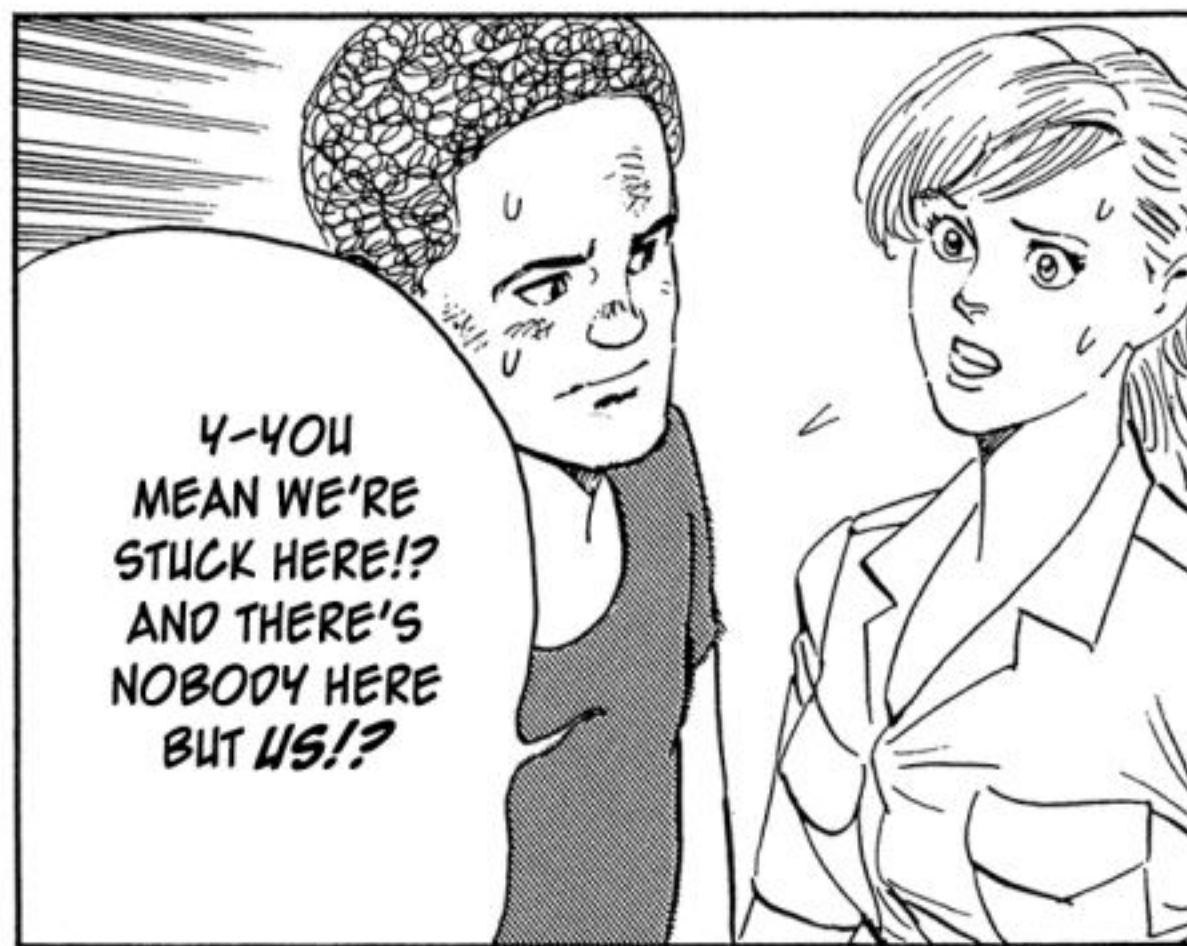
I
DON'T
THINK
SO...

I'M SO GLAD
YOU'RE SAFE,
PROFESSOR,
JEAN...
ARE THERE
ANY OTHER
SURVIVORS?



WHY DON'T WE
TELL YOU WHAT
HAPPENED?







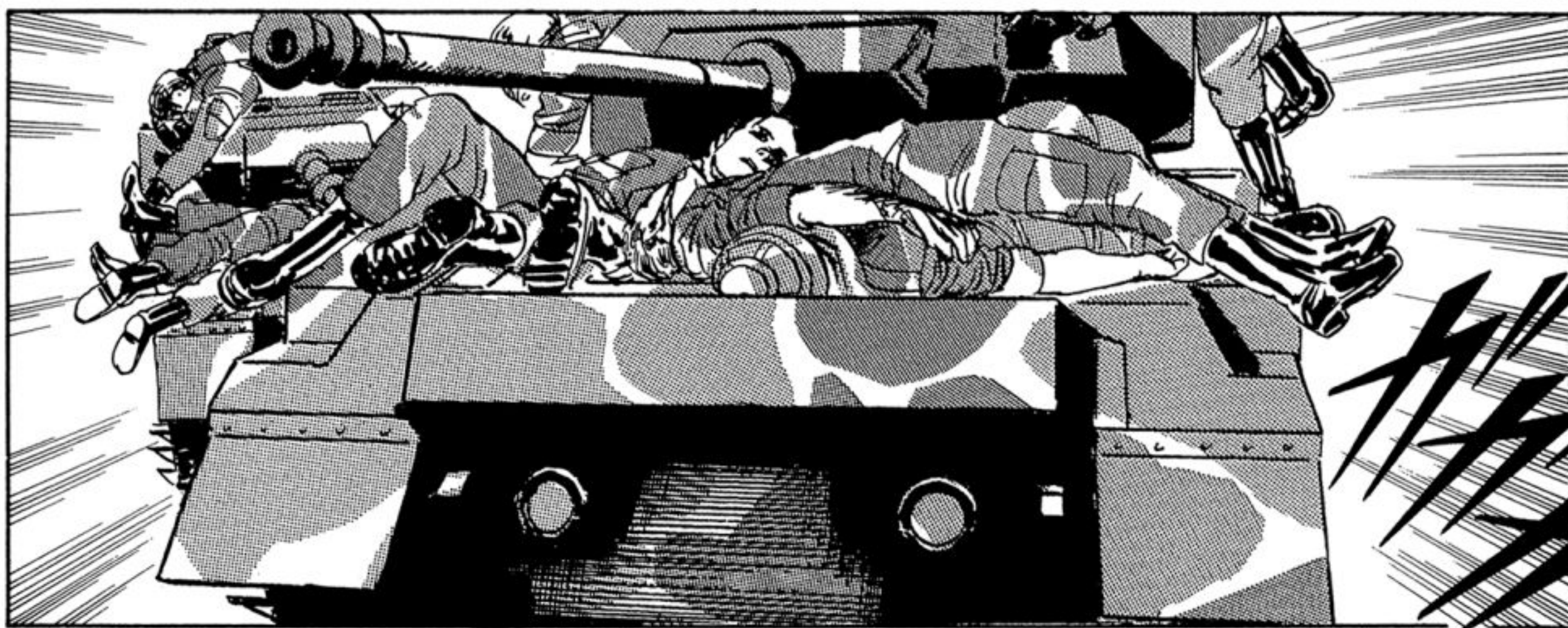
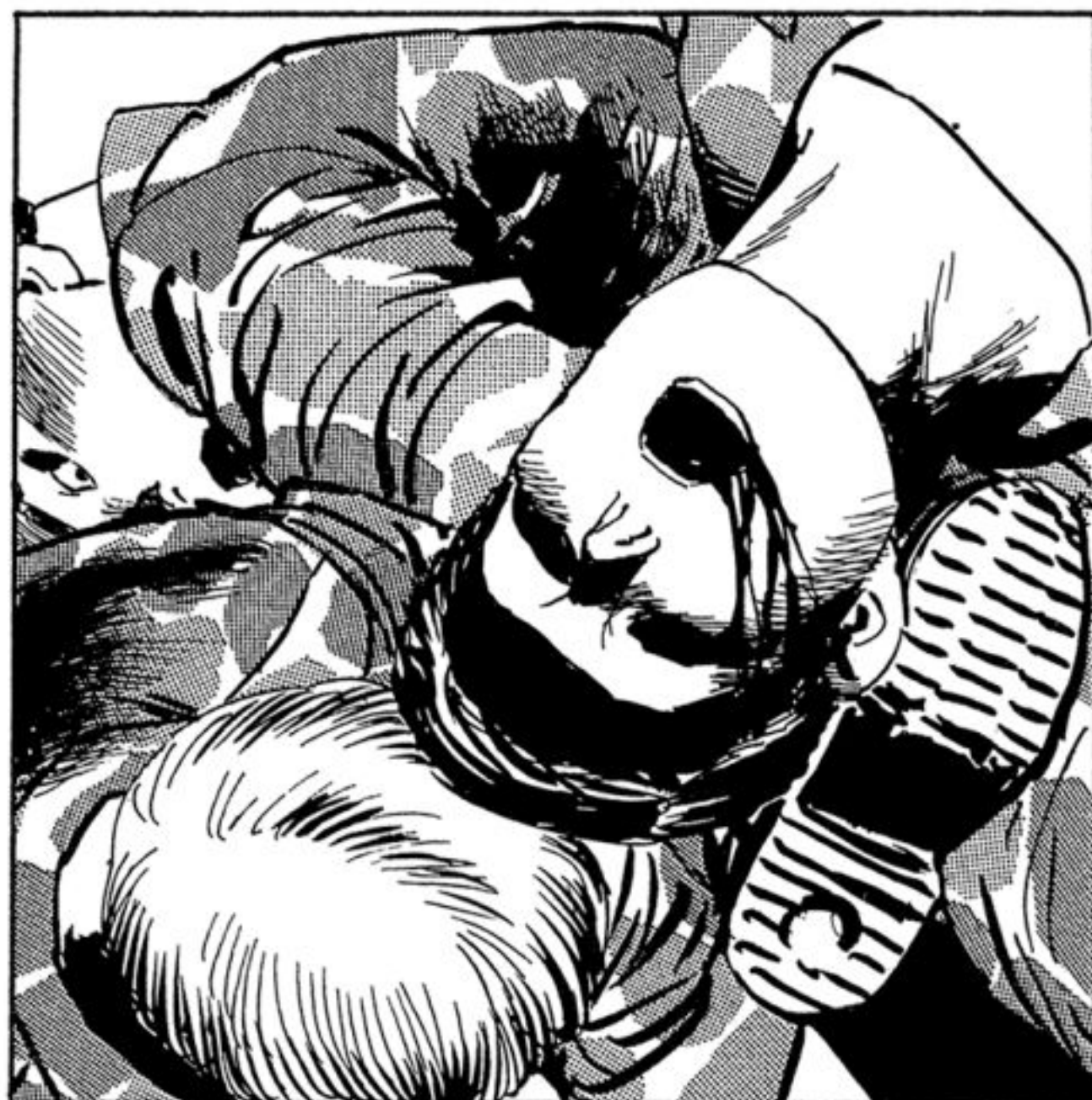
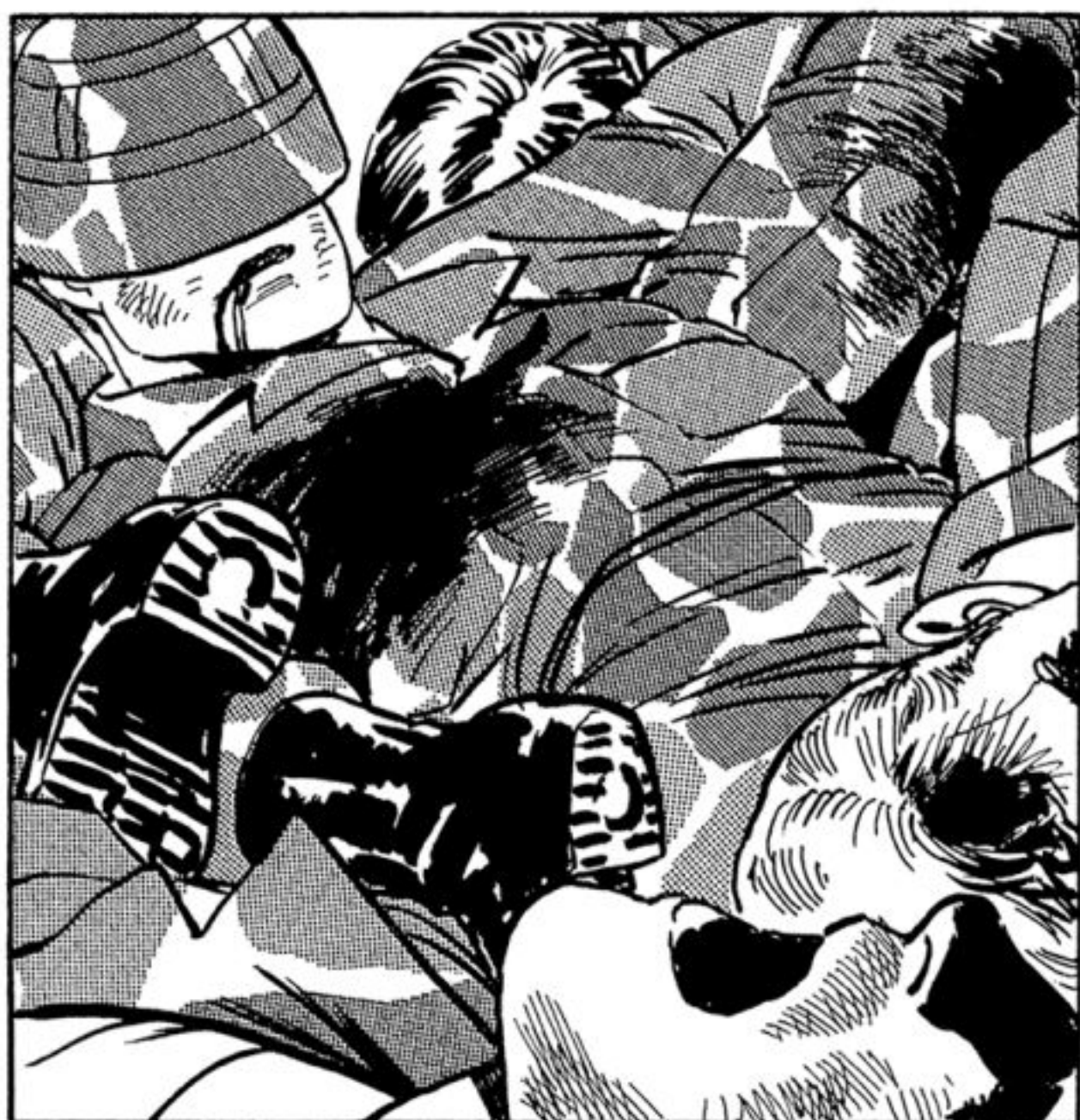
HAS STRUCK
BACK HARD...

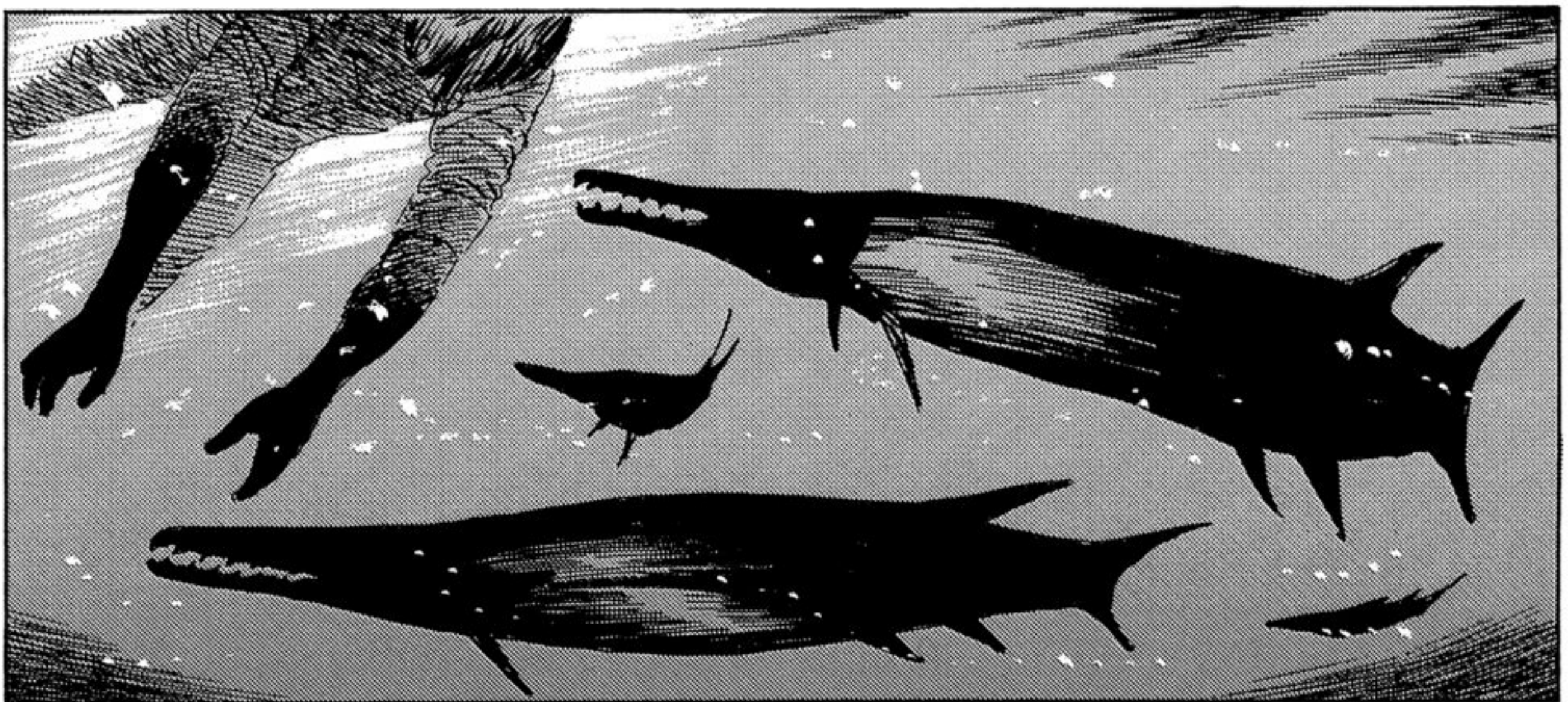
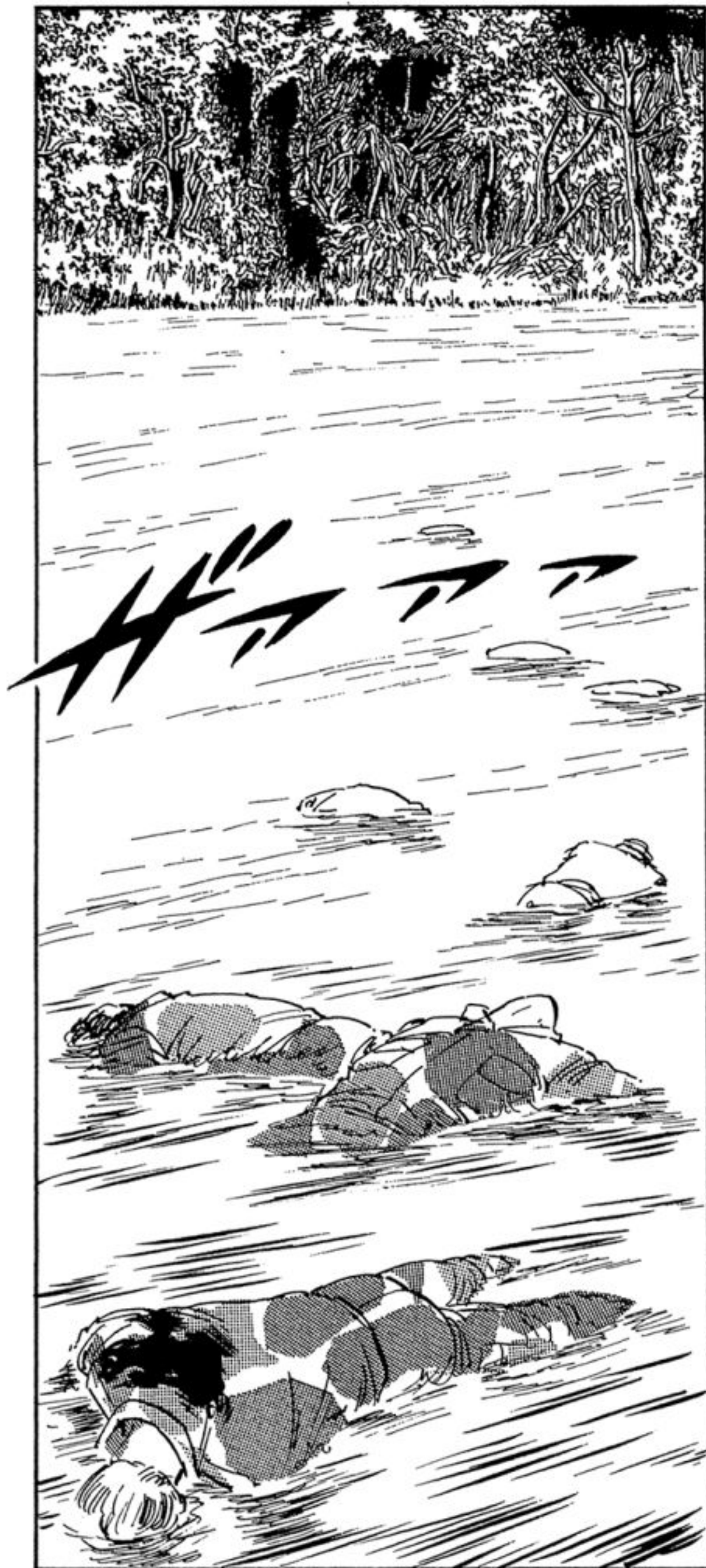
LOOKS LIKE THE
WILD WORLD OF
THE JURASSIC
PERIOD...

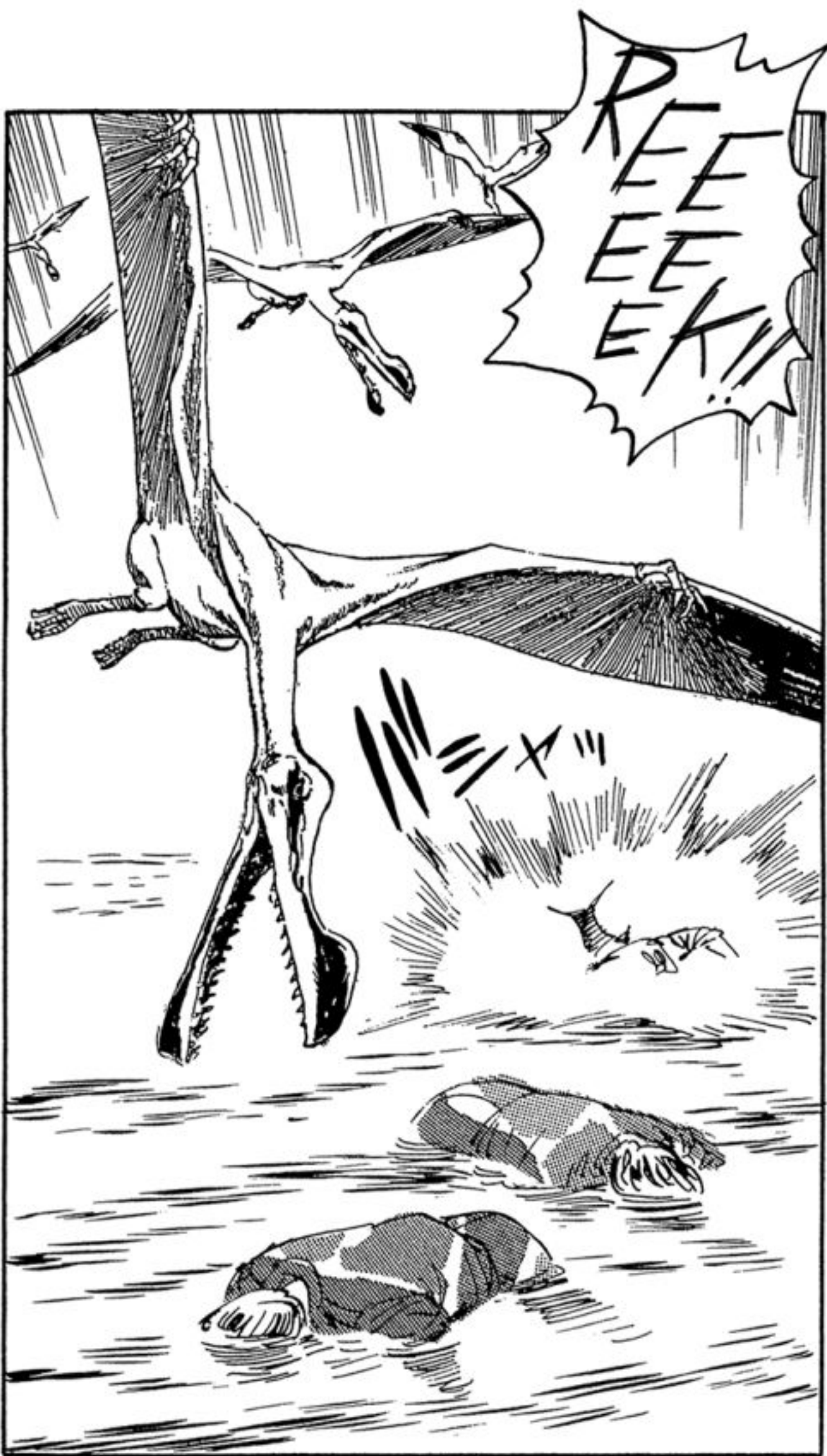
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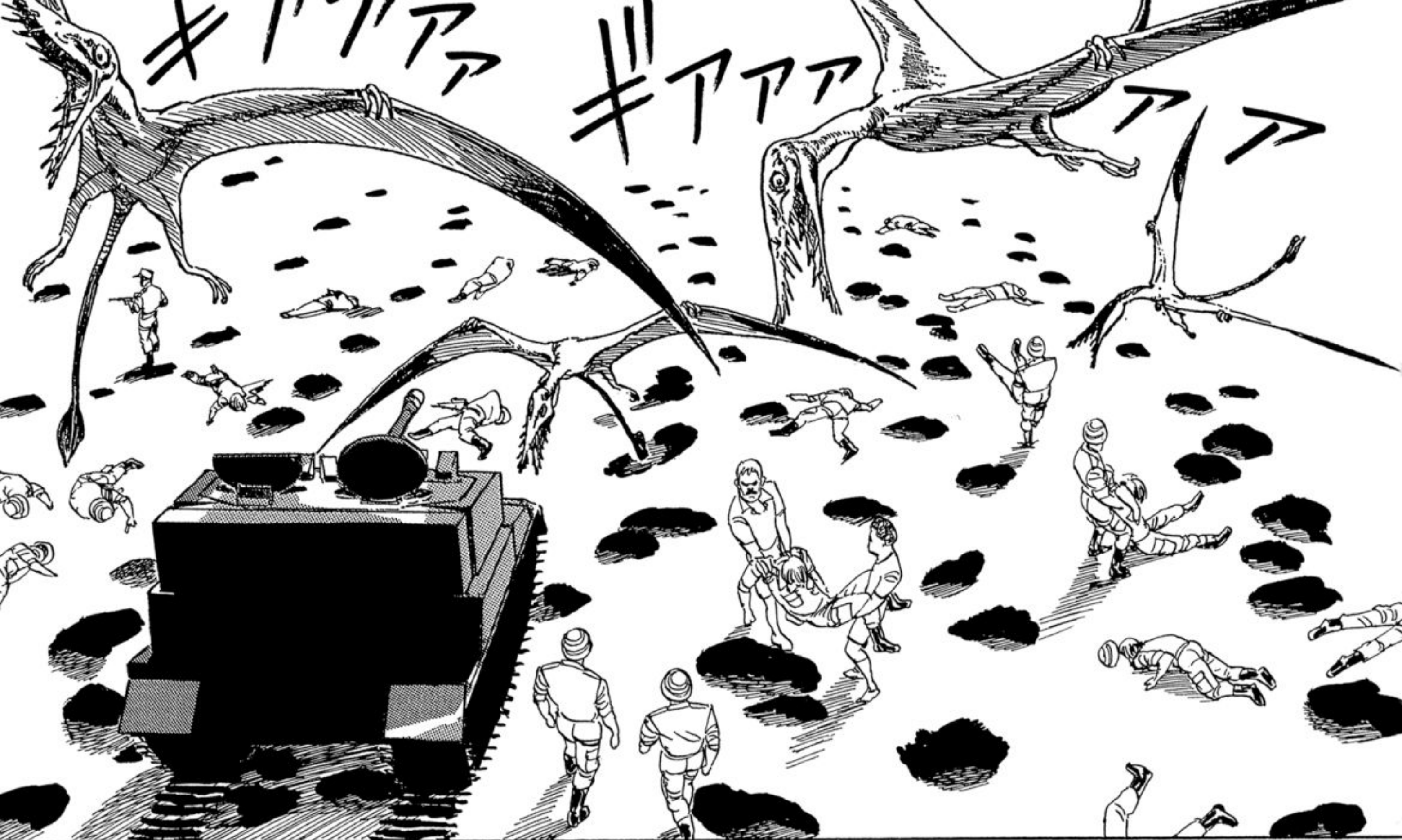
Predators

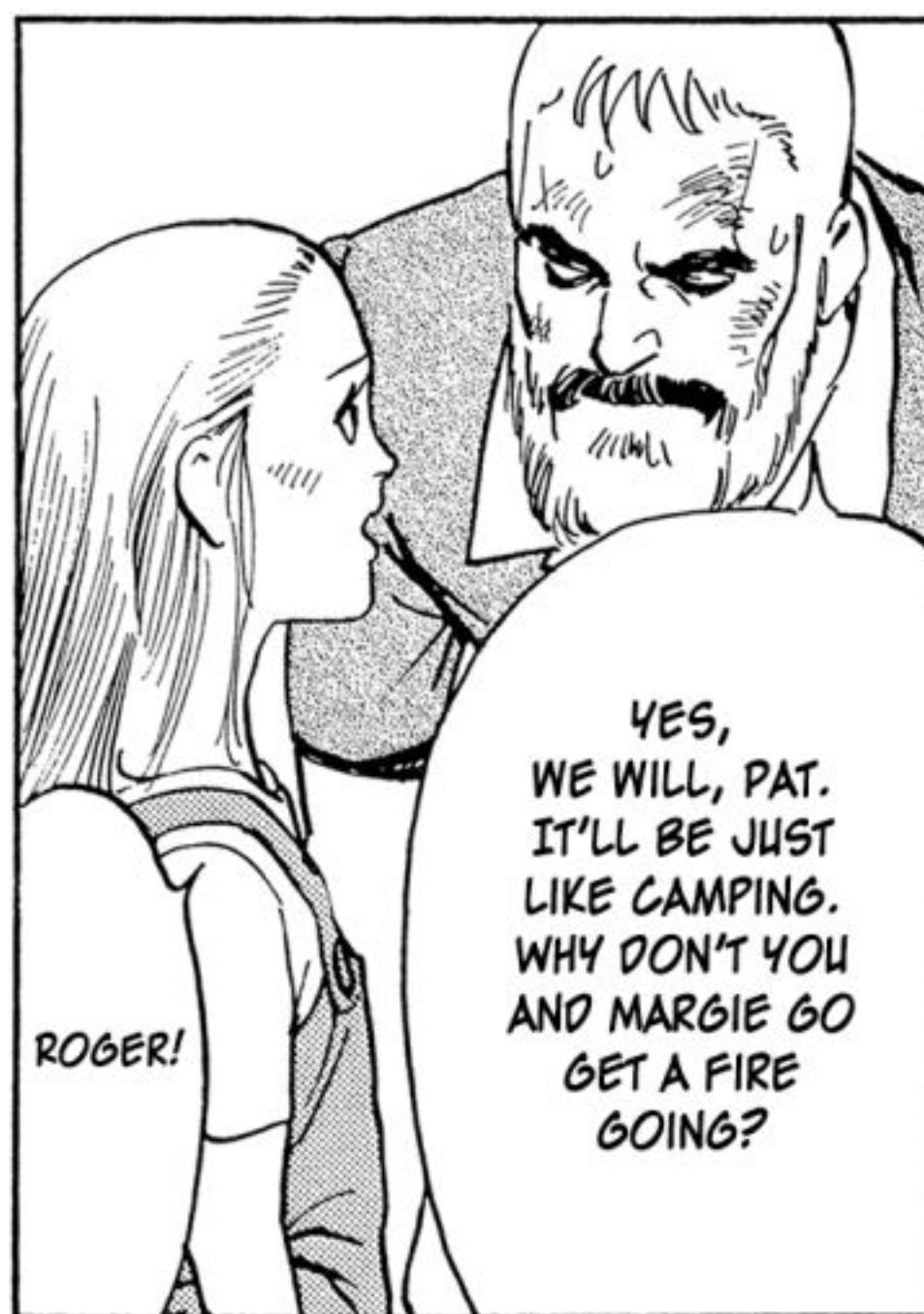
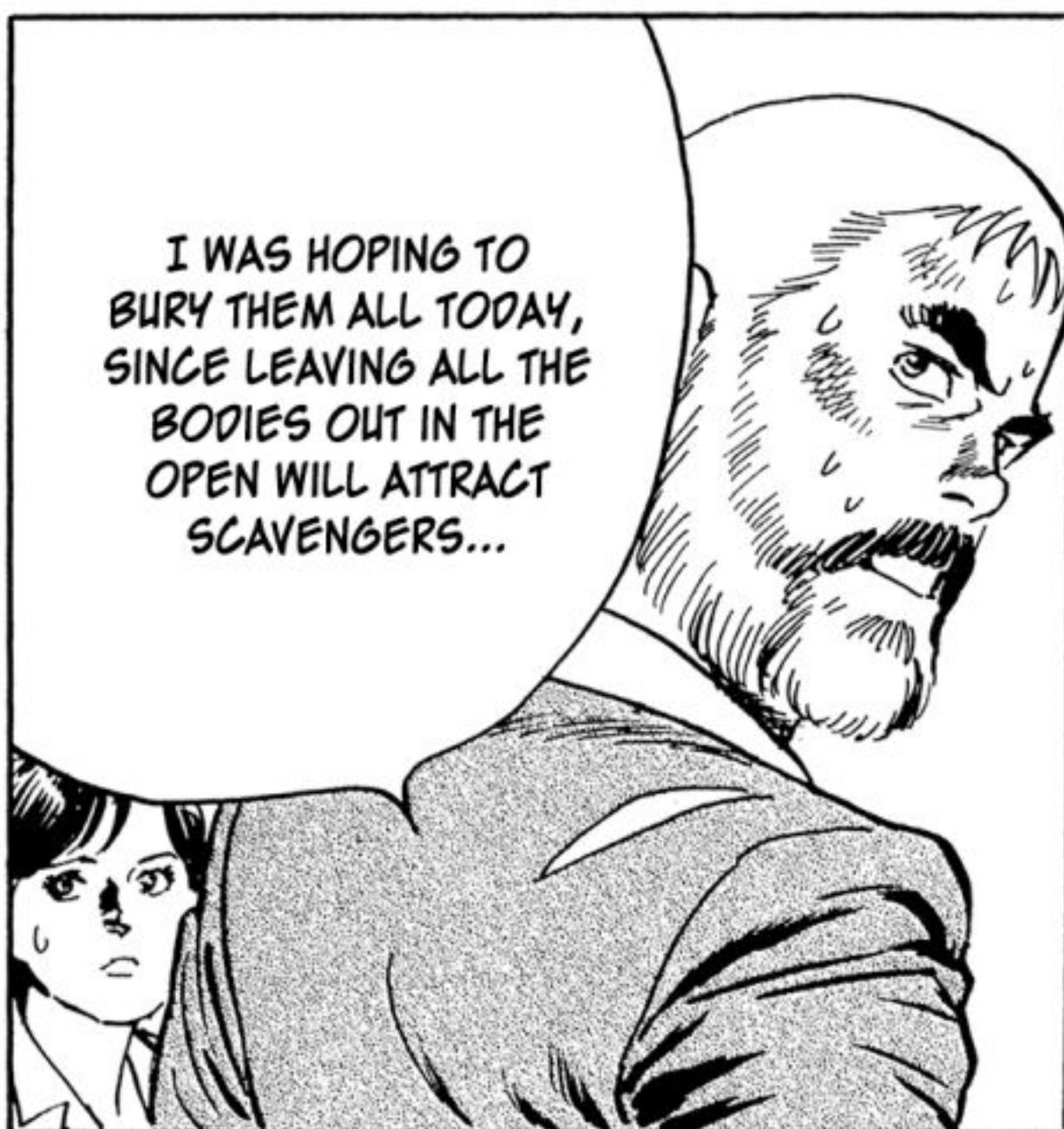


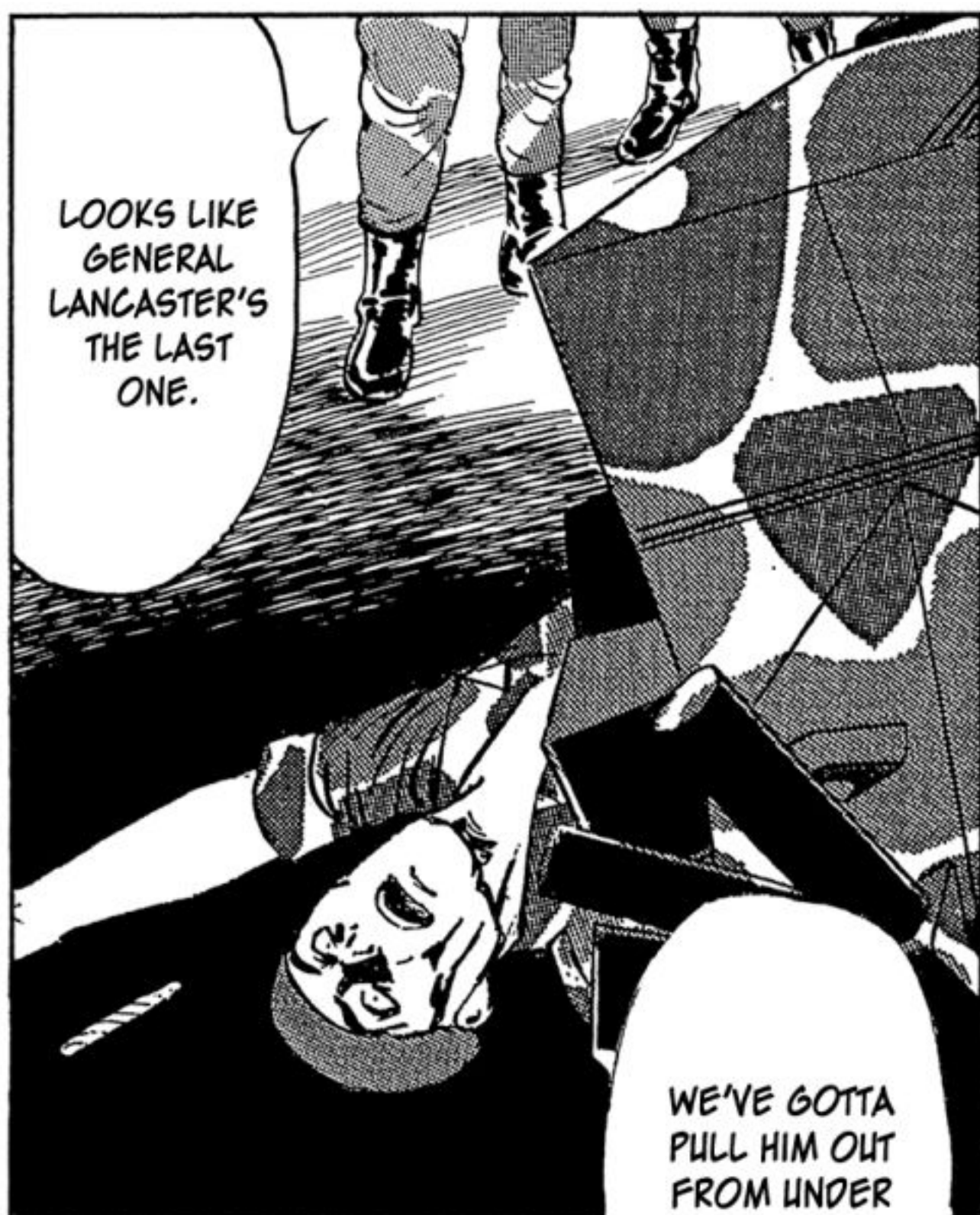






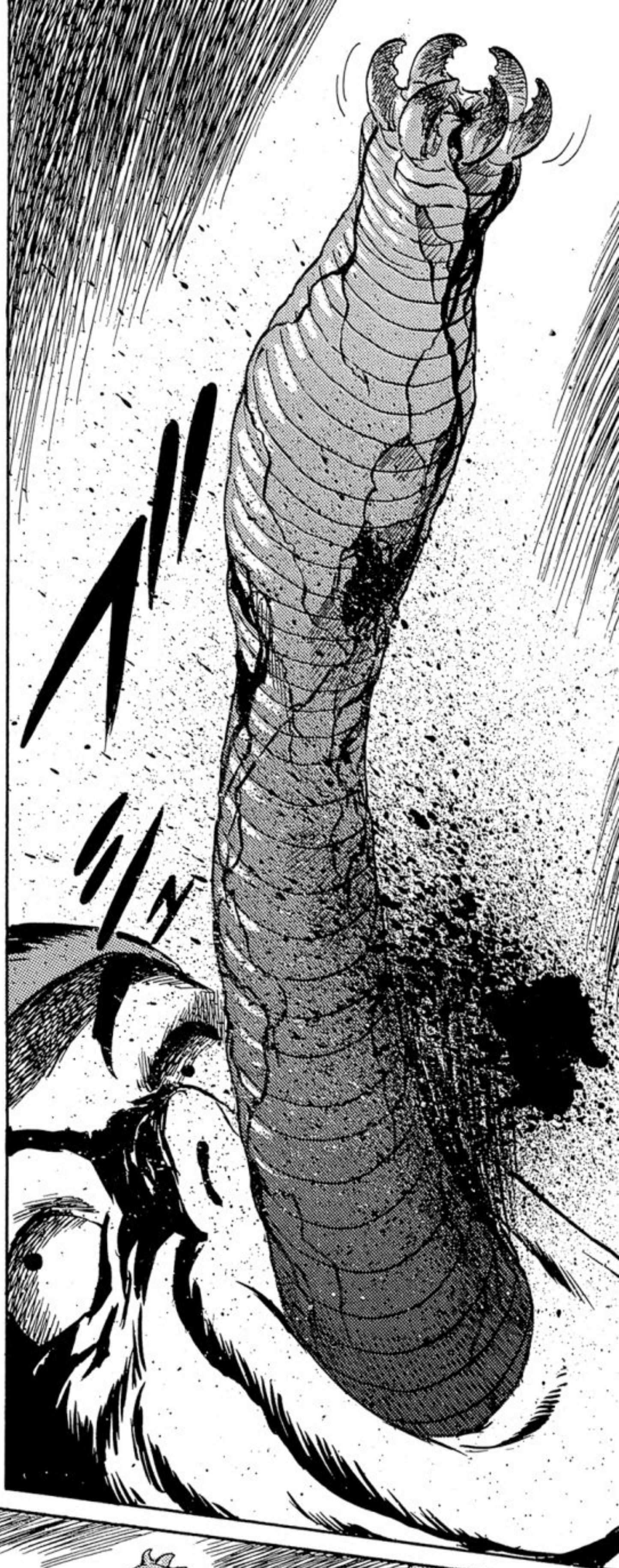
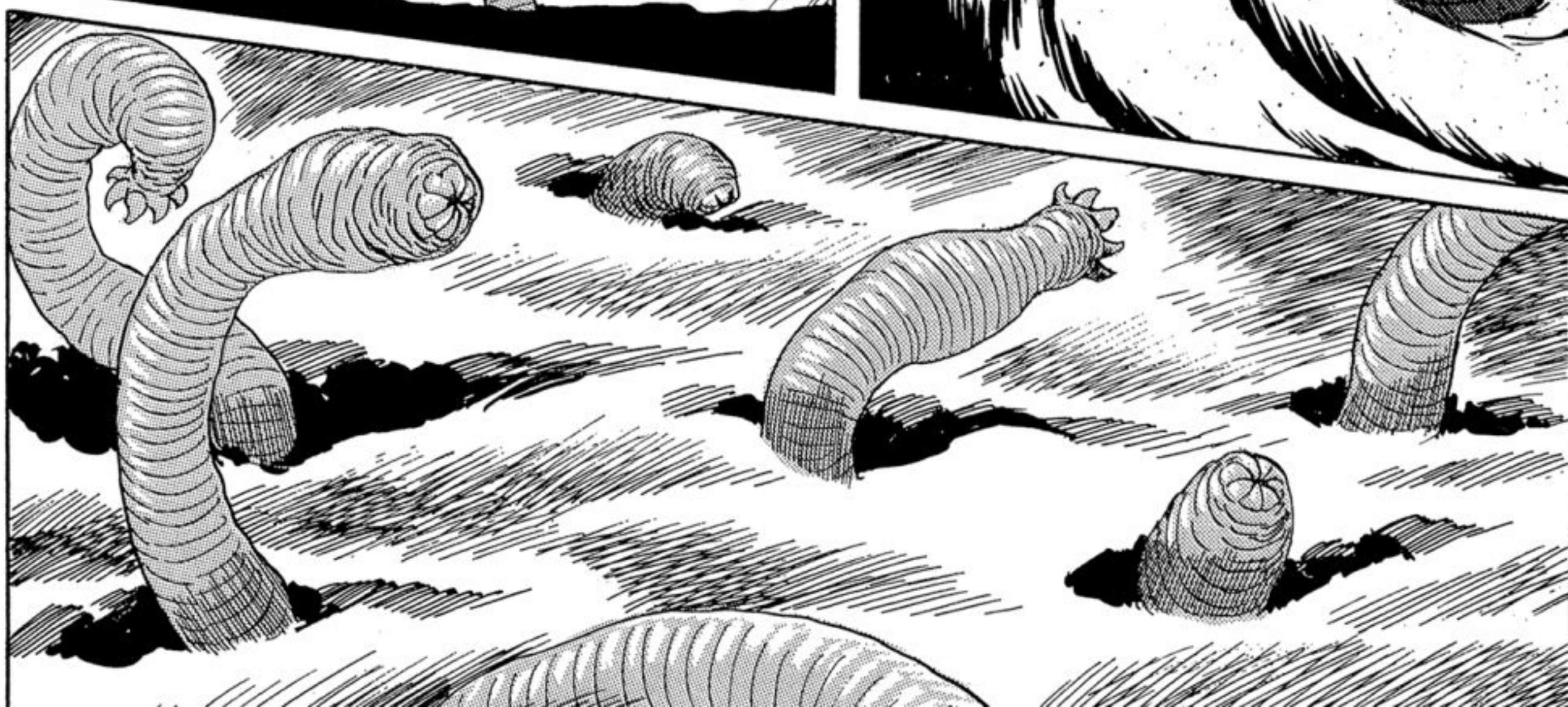


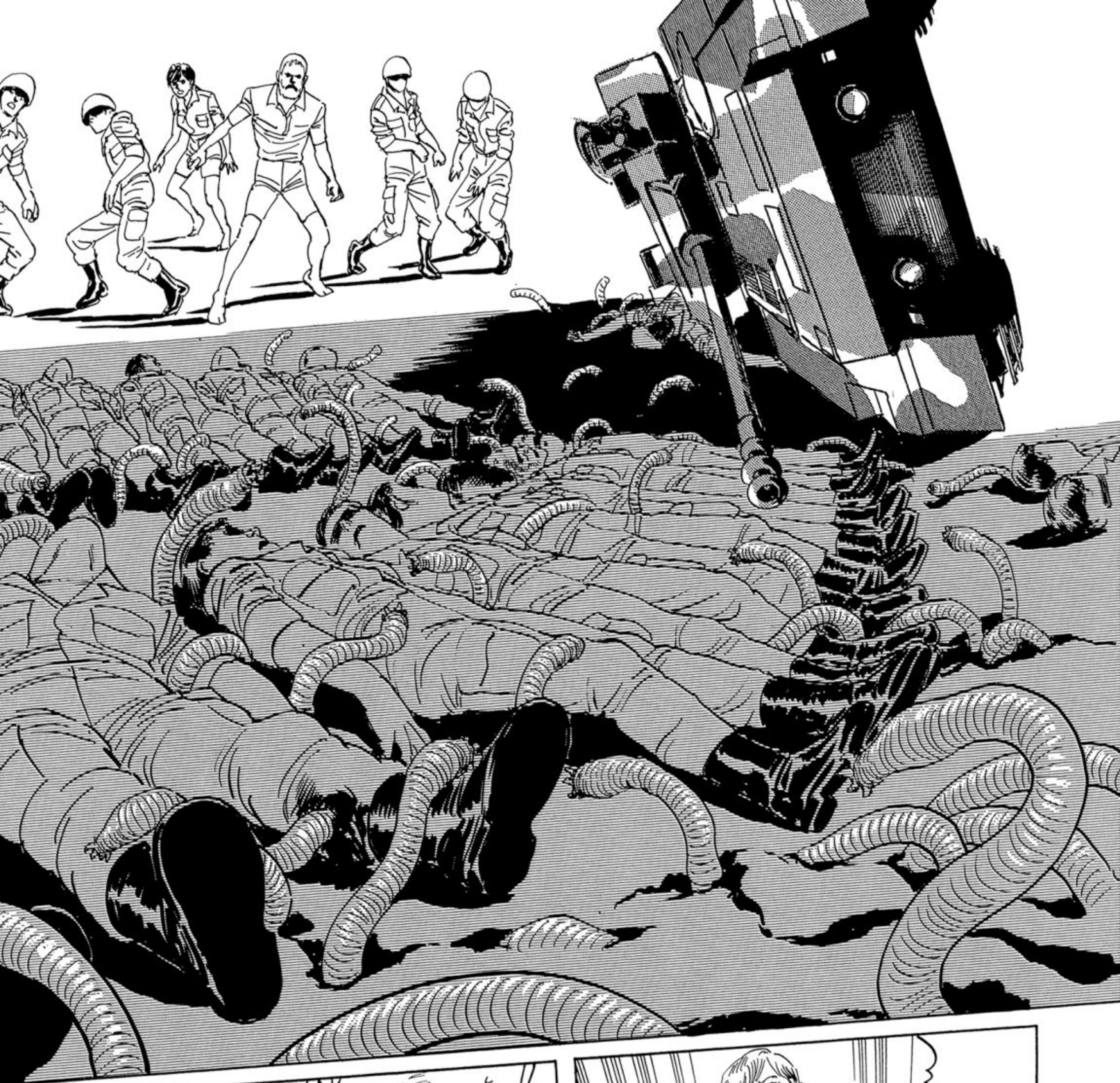




WE'VE GOTTA
PULL HIM OUT
FROM UNDER
THE TANK...



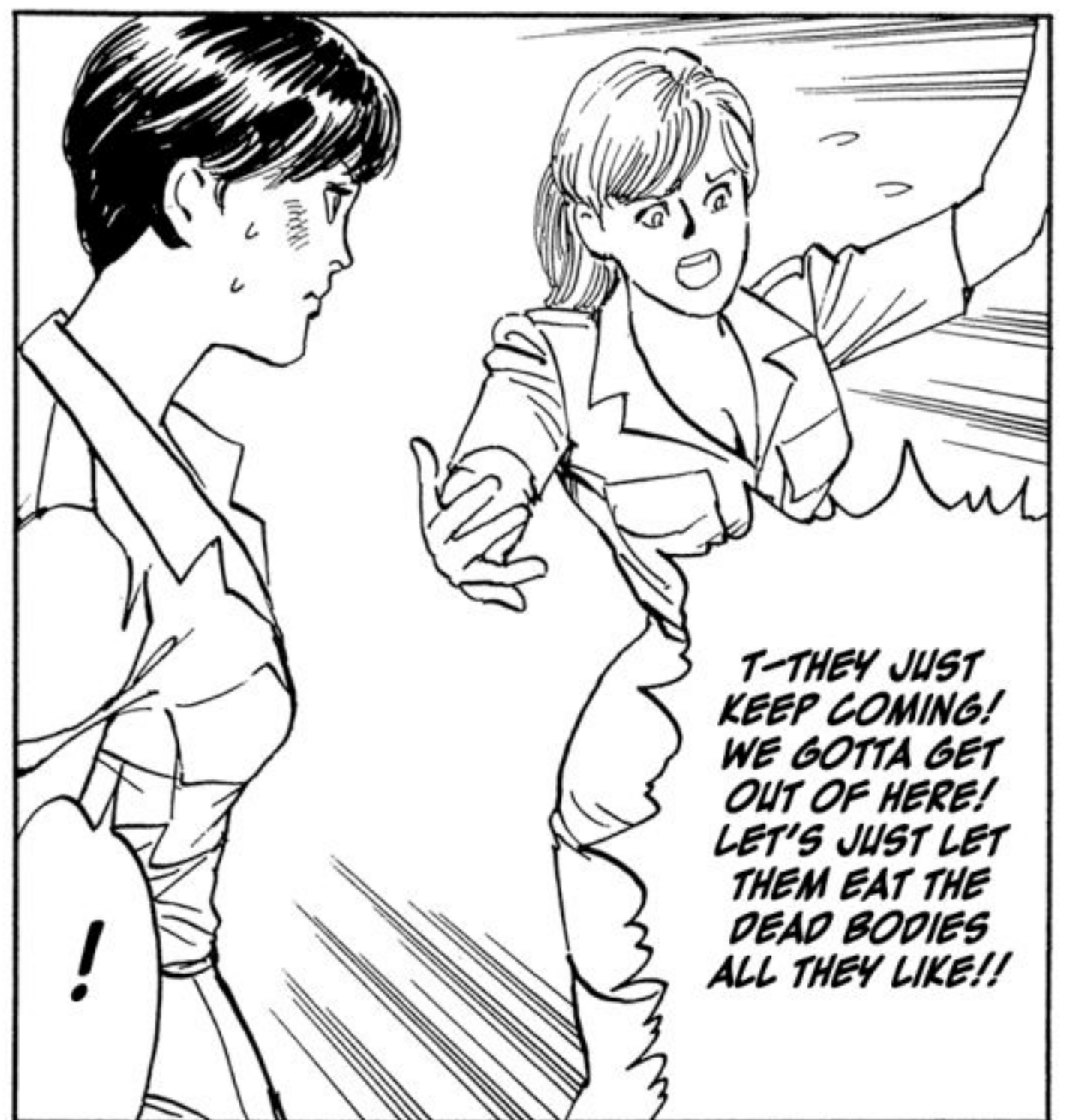
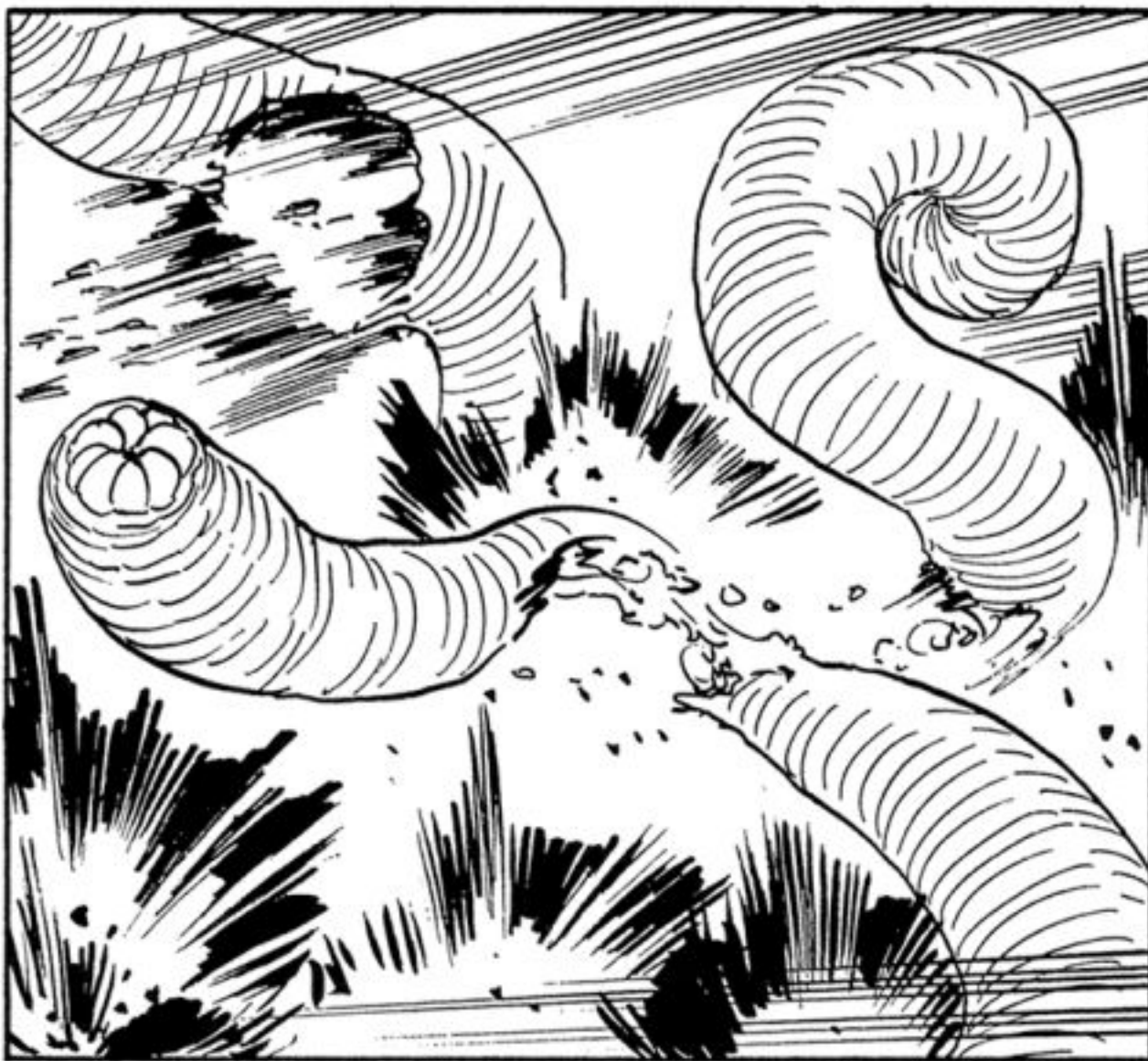


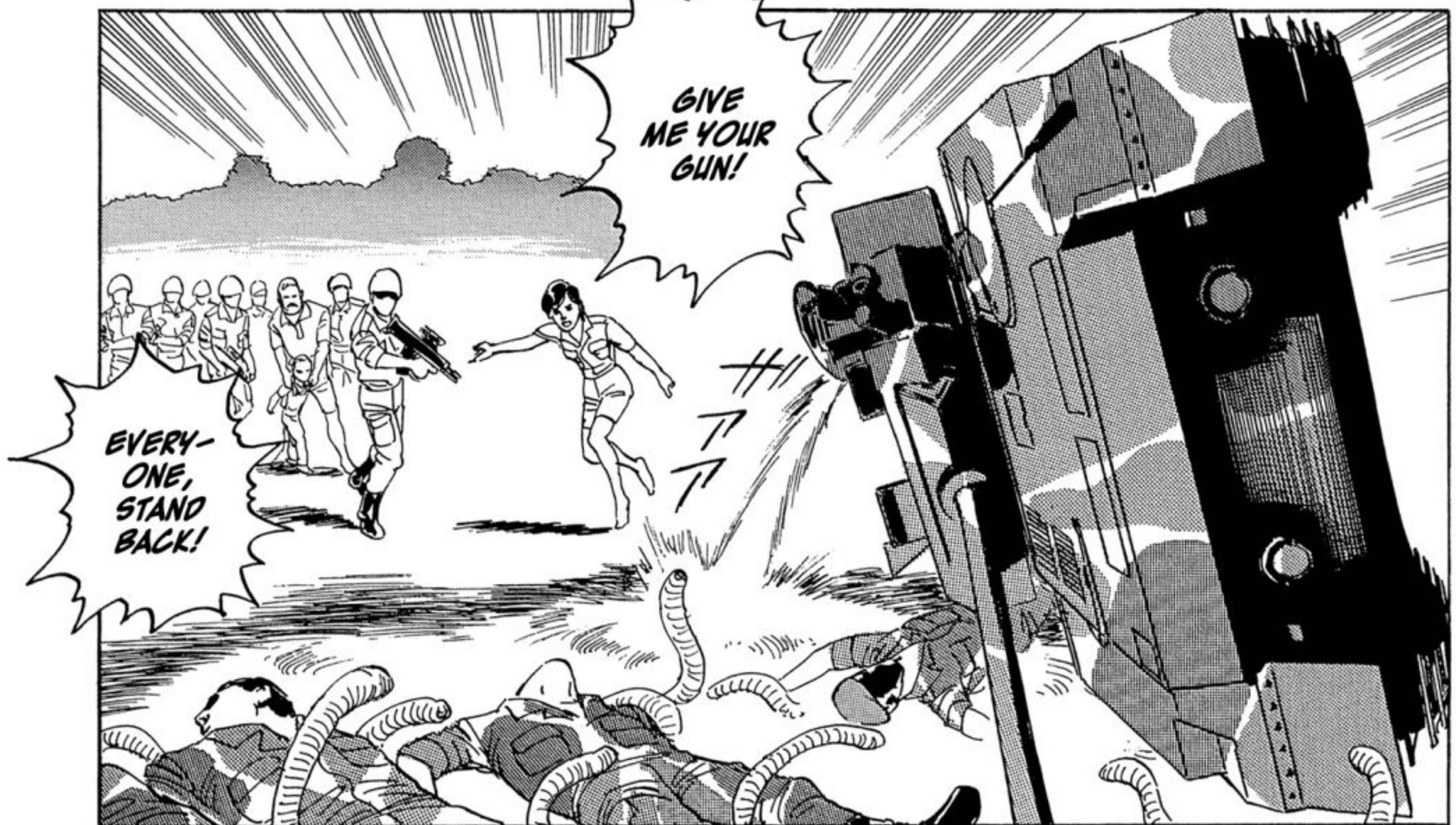
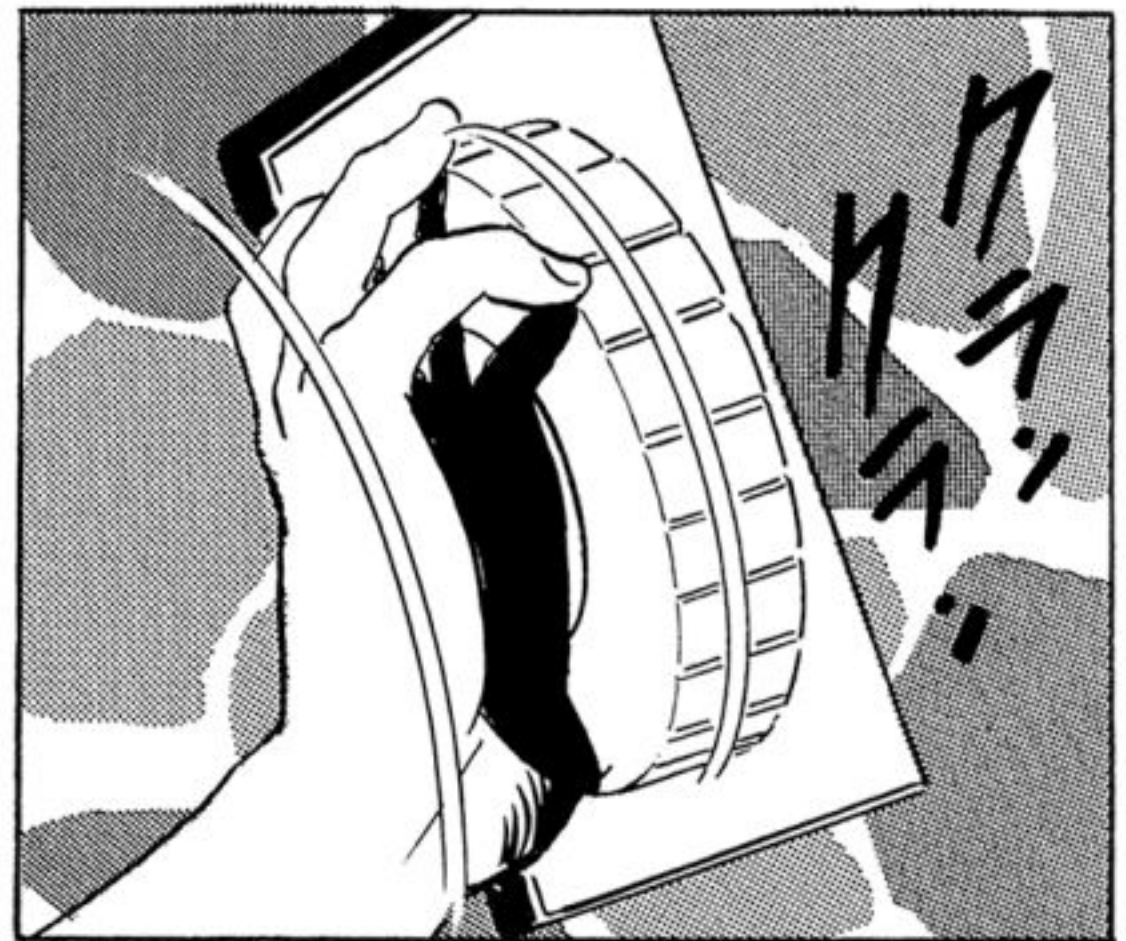
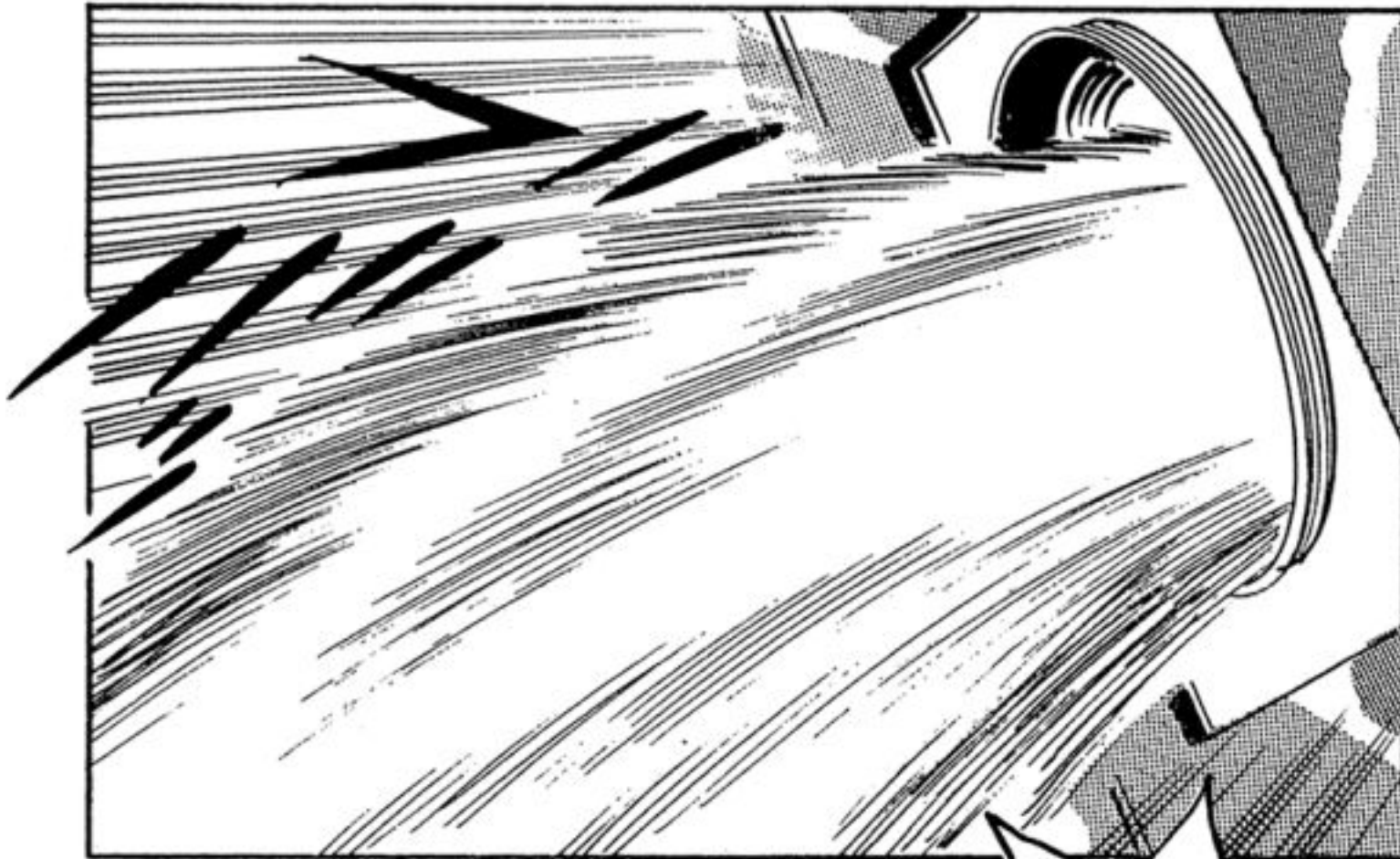


**T-THOSE ARE CARNI-
VOROUS ANNELIDS!
THEY WERE NESTING
UNDERGROUND, AND
DRAWN HERE BY THE
SCENT OF ROTTING
FLESH!!**



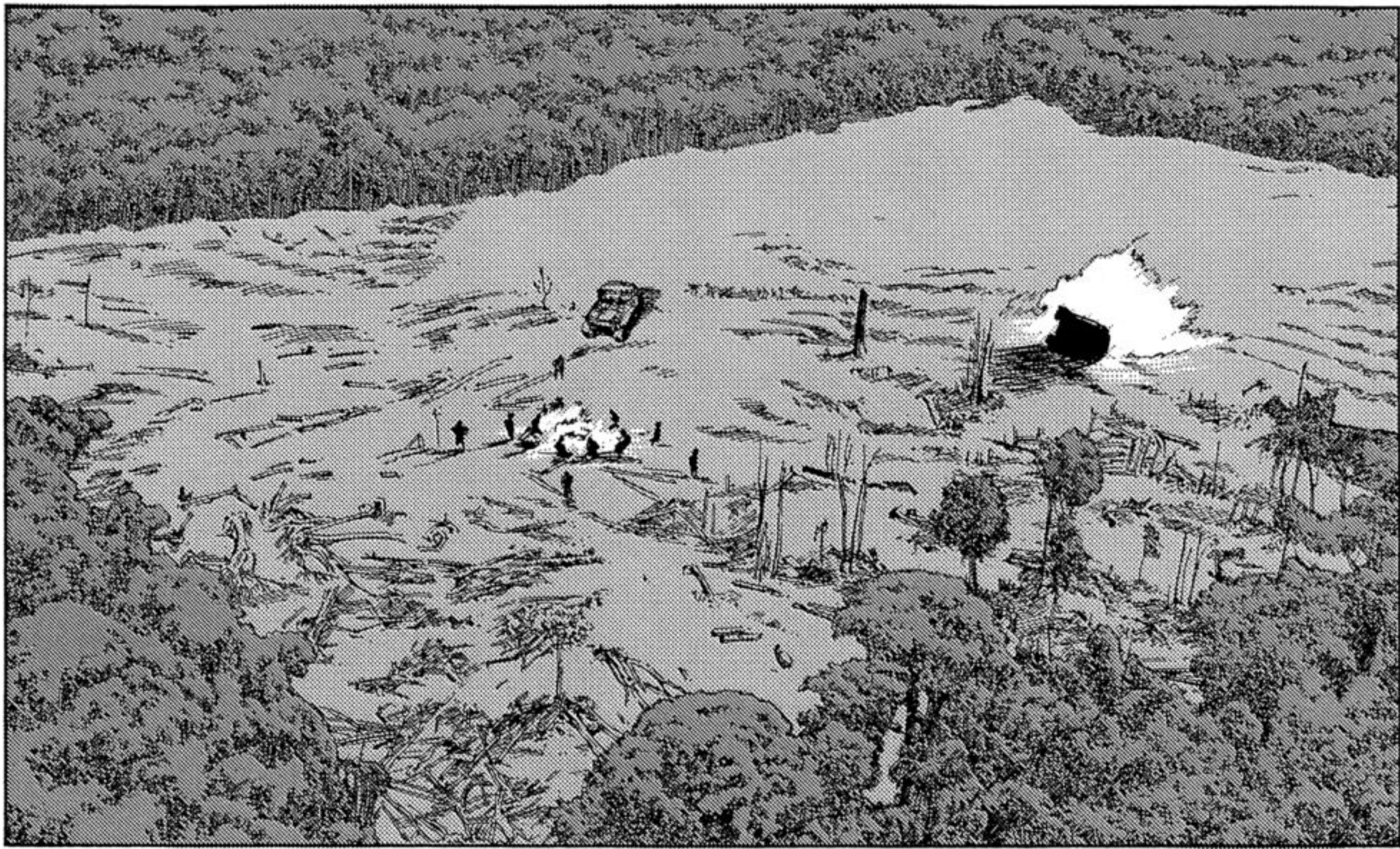
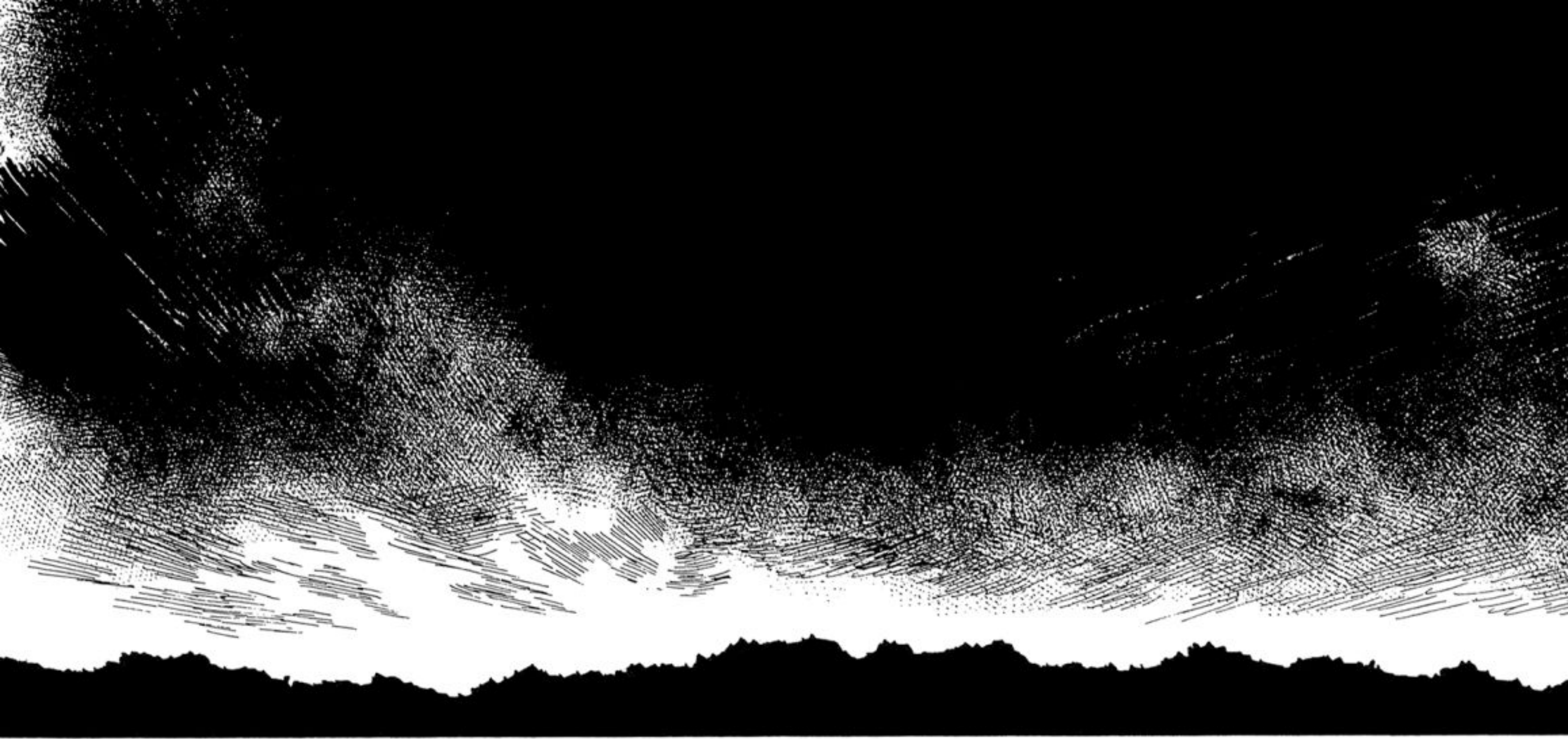
AIIEEE!

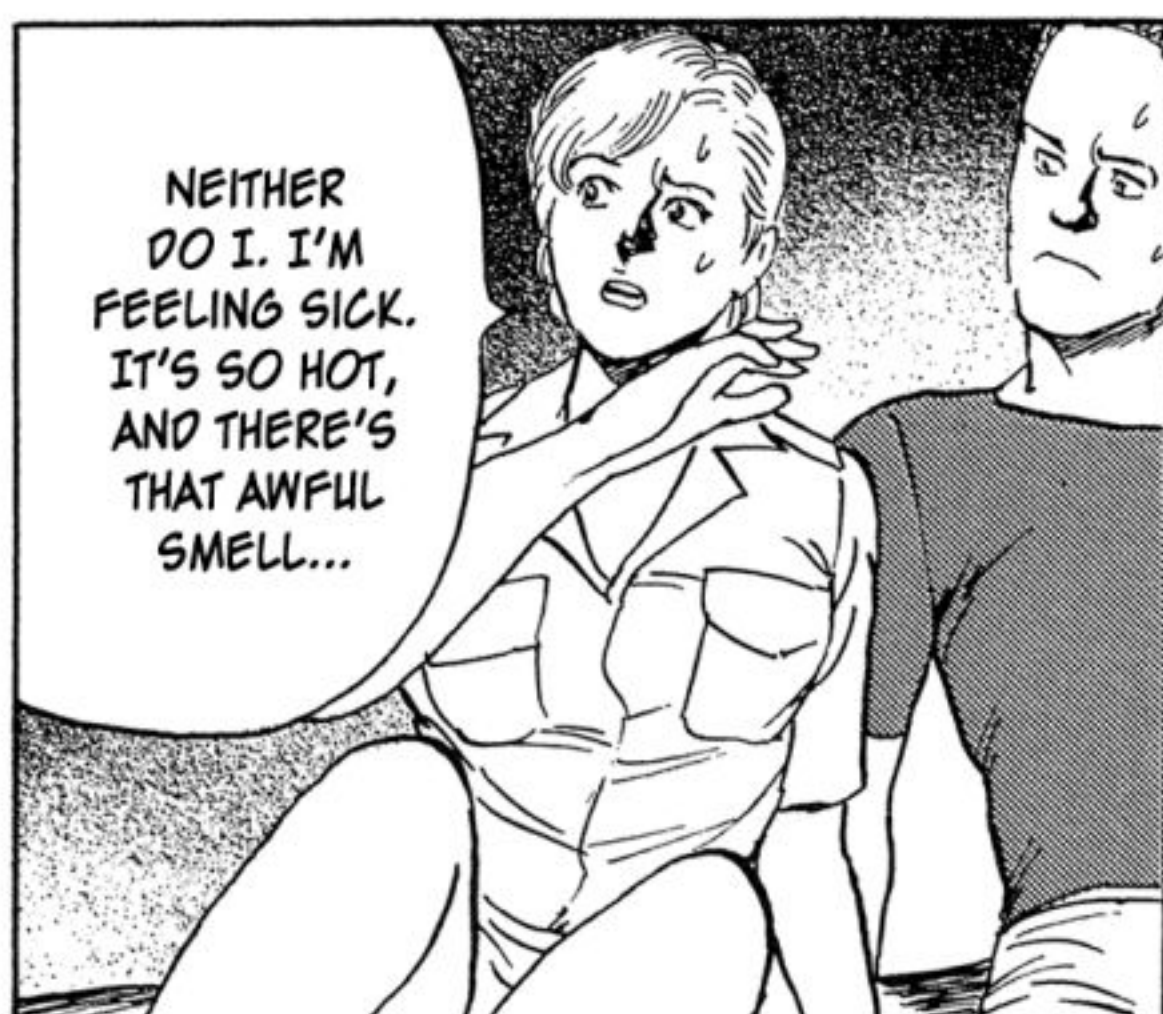










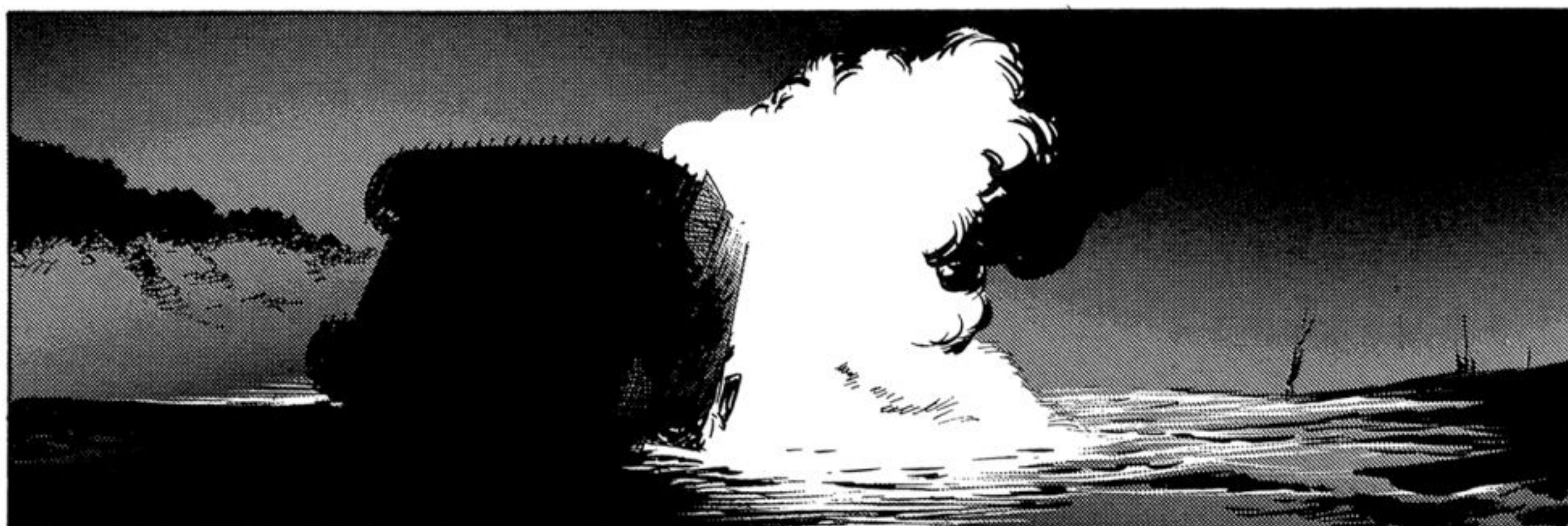


NEITHER
DO I. I'M
FEELING SICK.
IT'S SO HOT,
AND THERE'S
THAT AWFUL
SMELL...



I DON'T
WANT IT...

I'LL
BET YOU'RE
HUNGRY,
PAT. HERE,
EAT THIS.



THE ONLY QUESTION IS,
WHAT DO WE DO NOW?
AS MUCH AS I'D RATHER
NOT THINK ABOUT IT TOO
HARD TODAY...

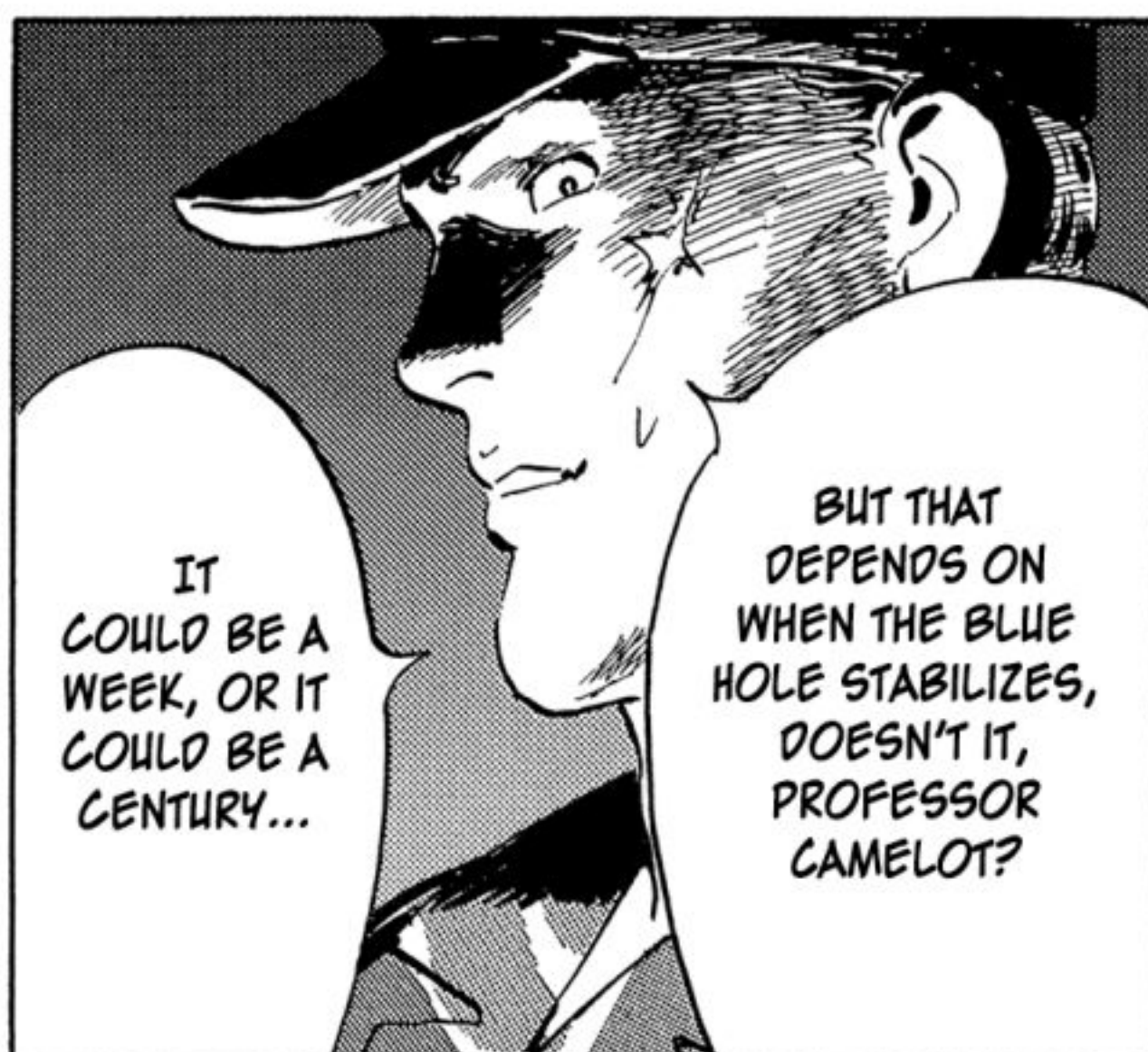
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THESE ARE ALL
THE RATIONS WE
COLLECTED FROM
THE CASUALTIES...

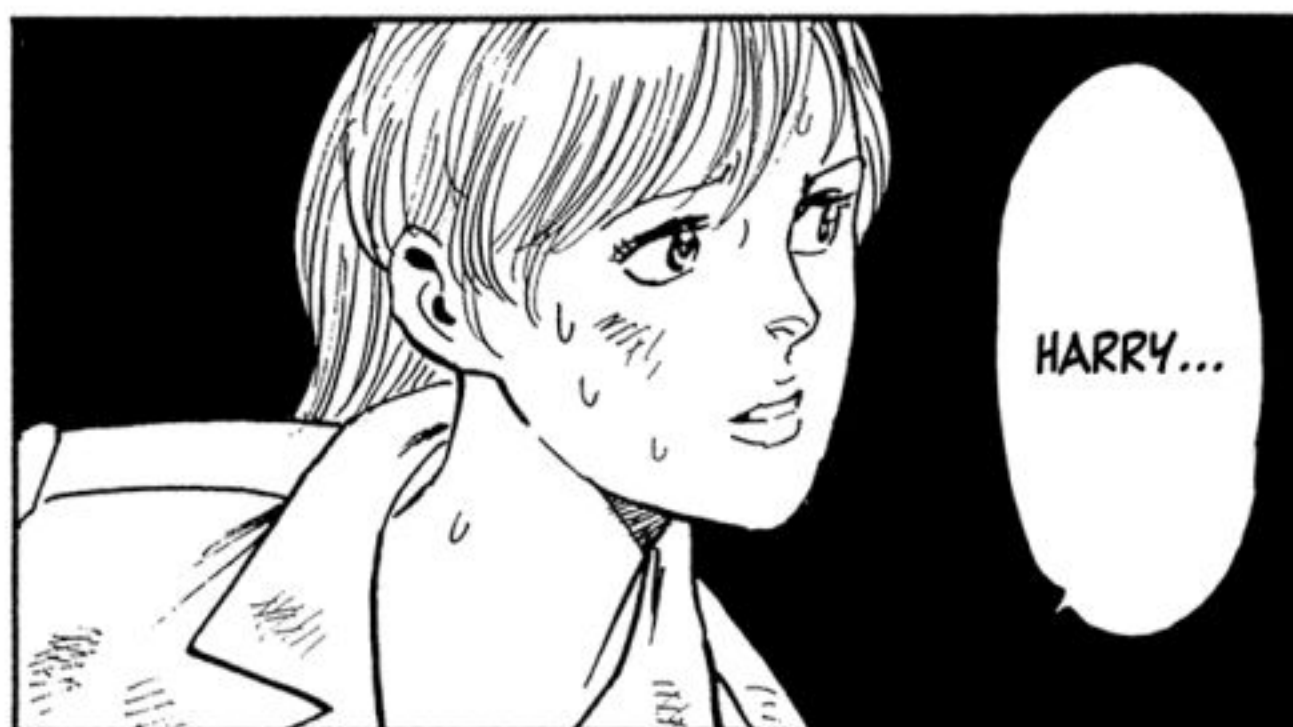


WE'VE GOT TWO
USABLE TANKS,
AND OUR MUNITIONS
SHOULD LAST
US A WHILE.

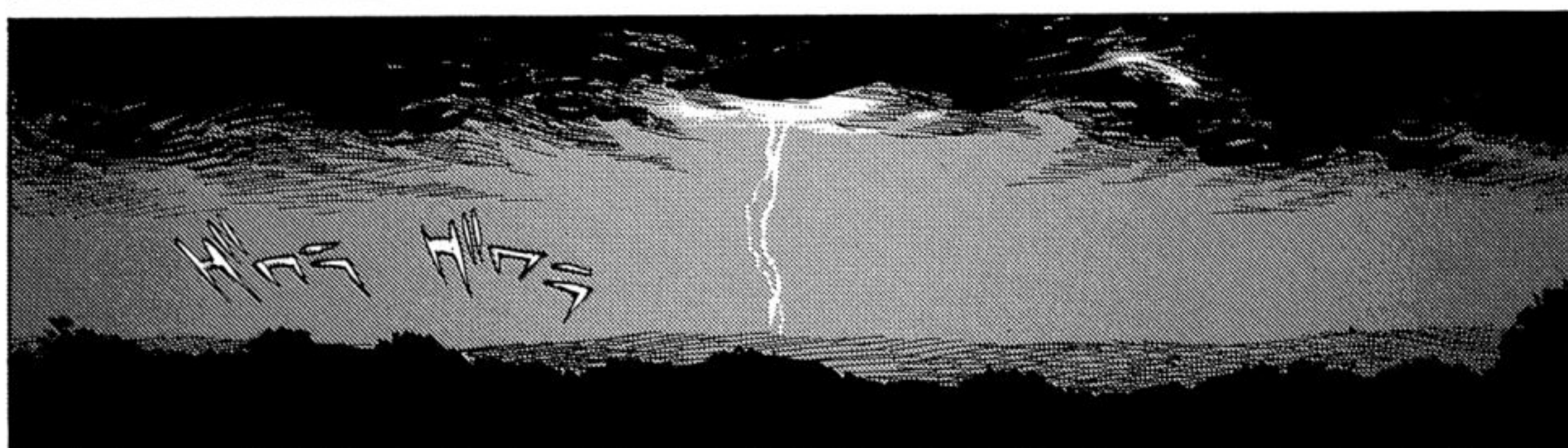


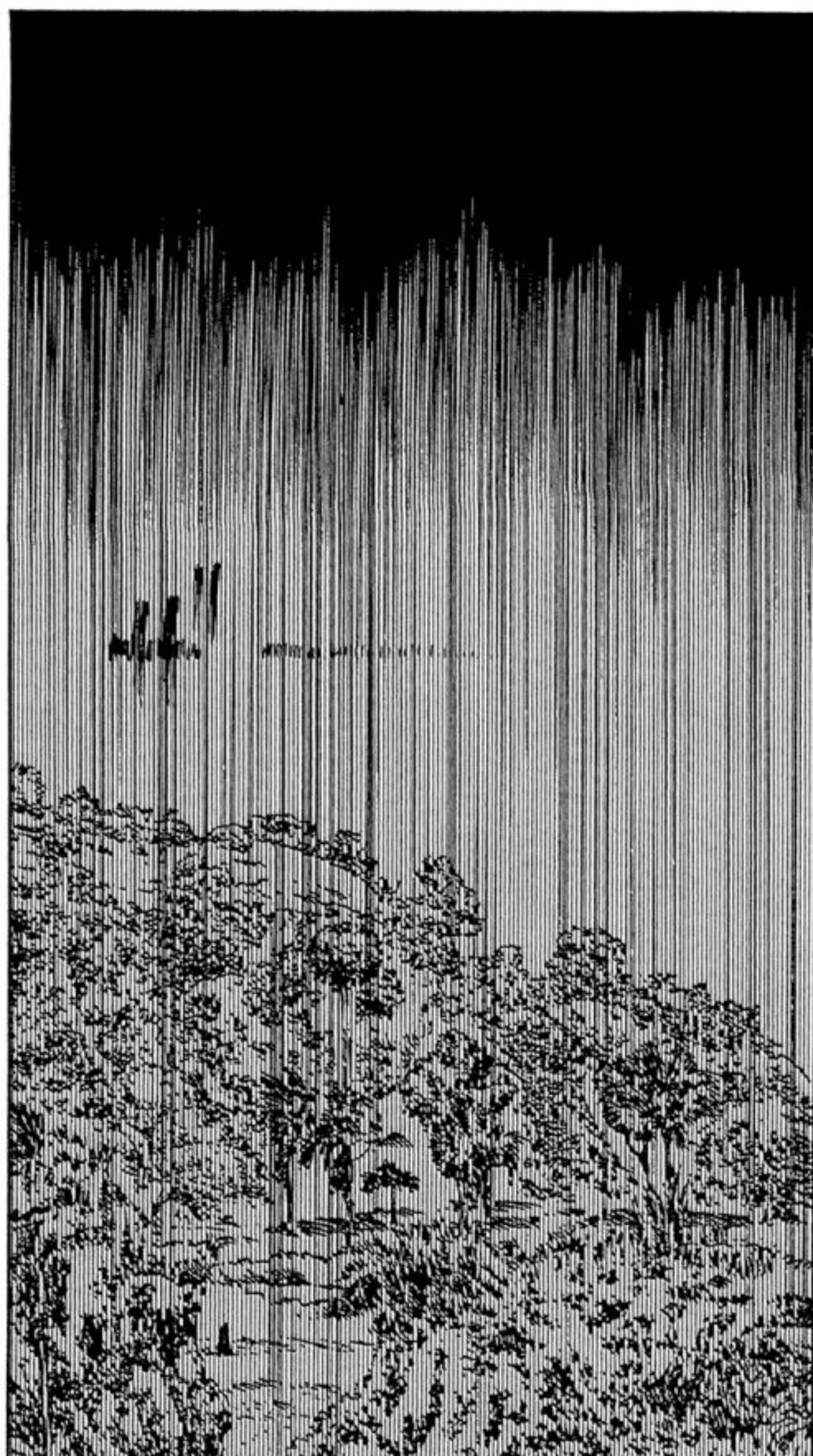
here in this
world, 145 billion
years away from
civilization?

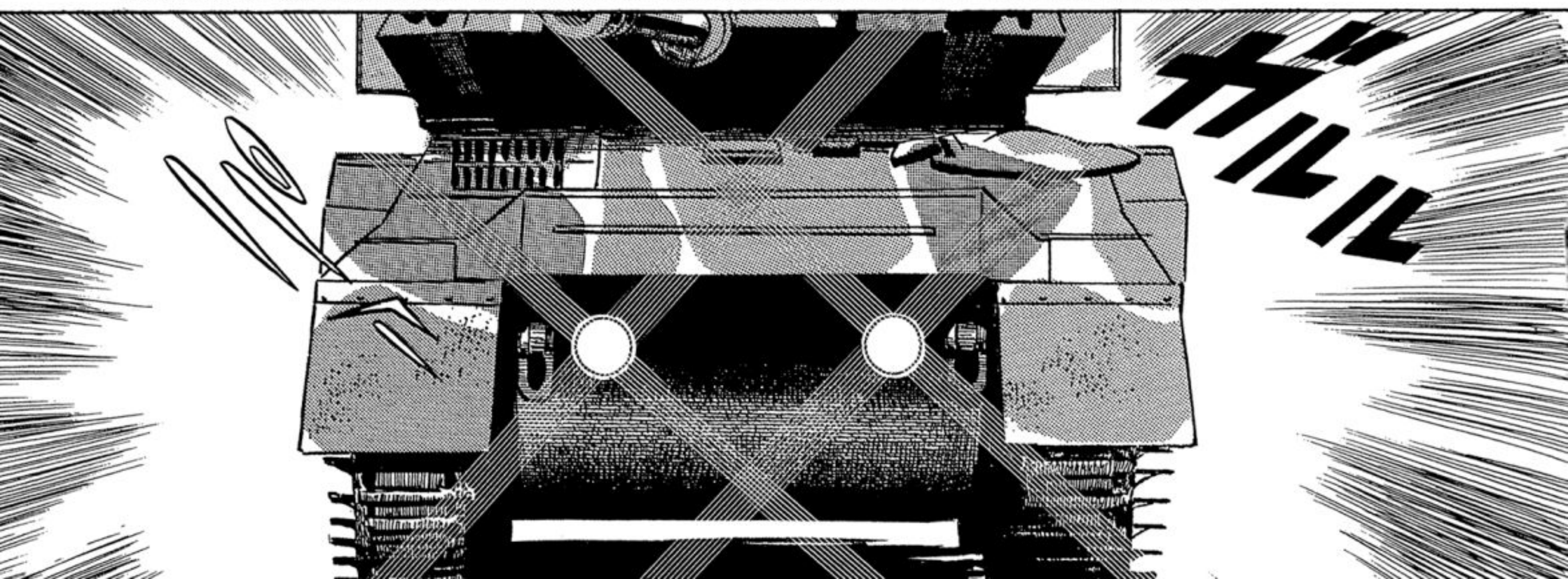
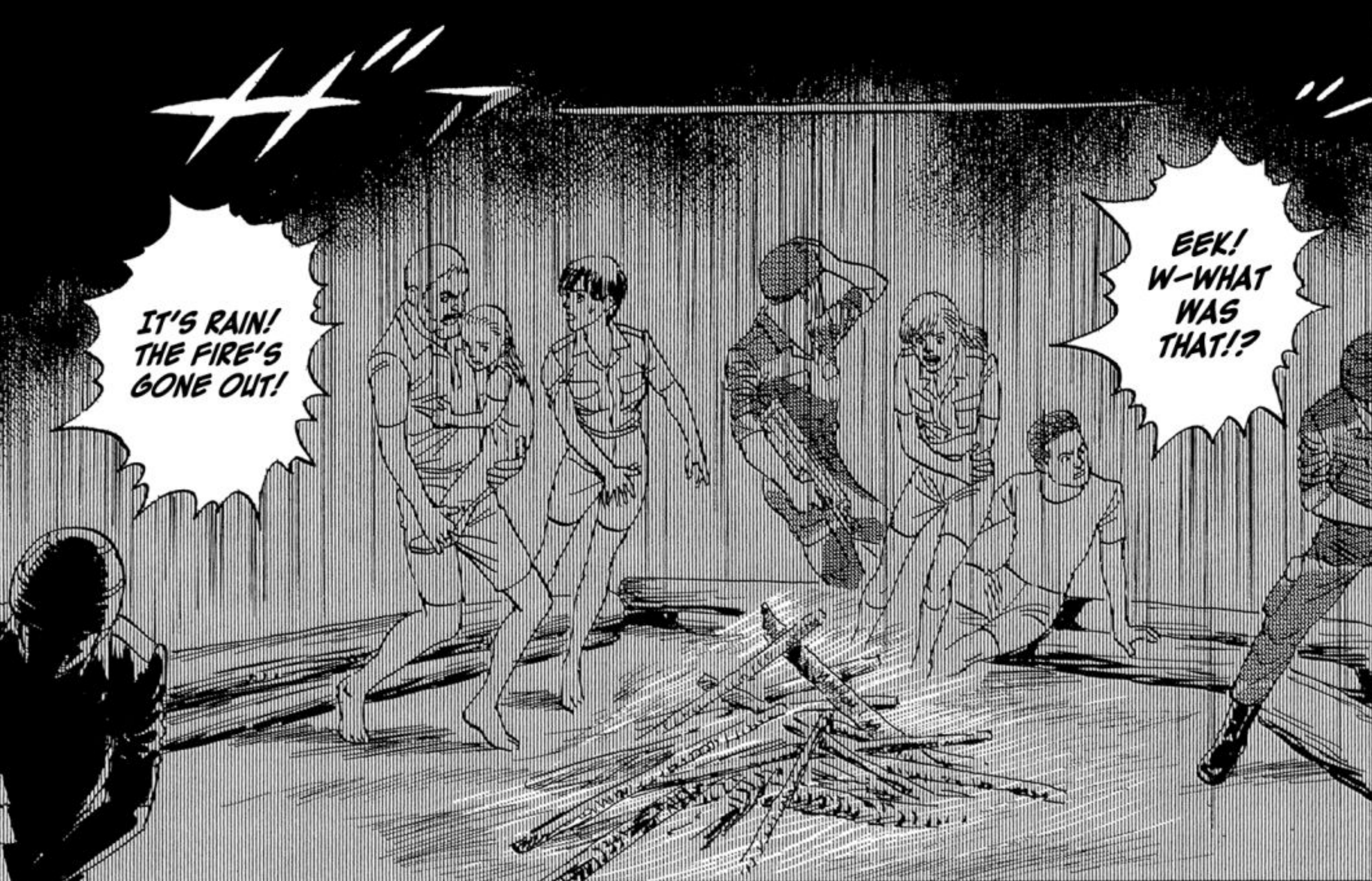
Who knows
what will
happen now,



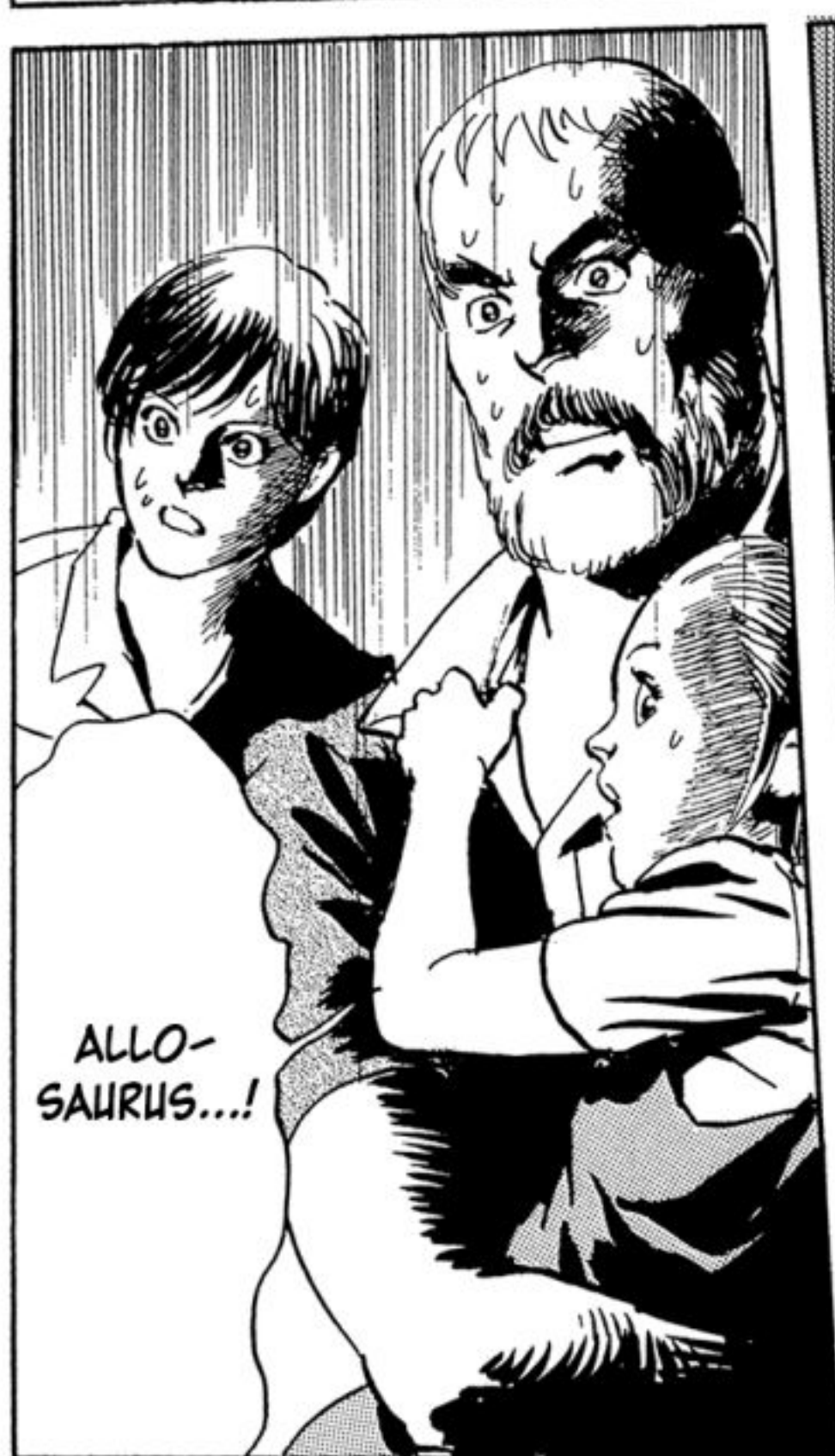
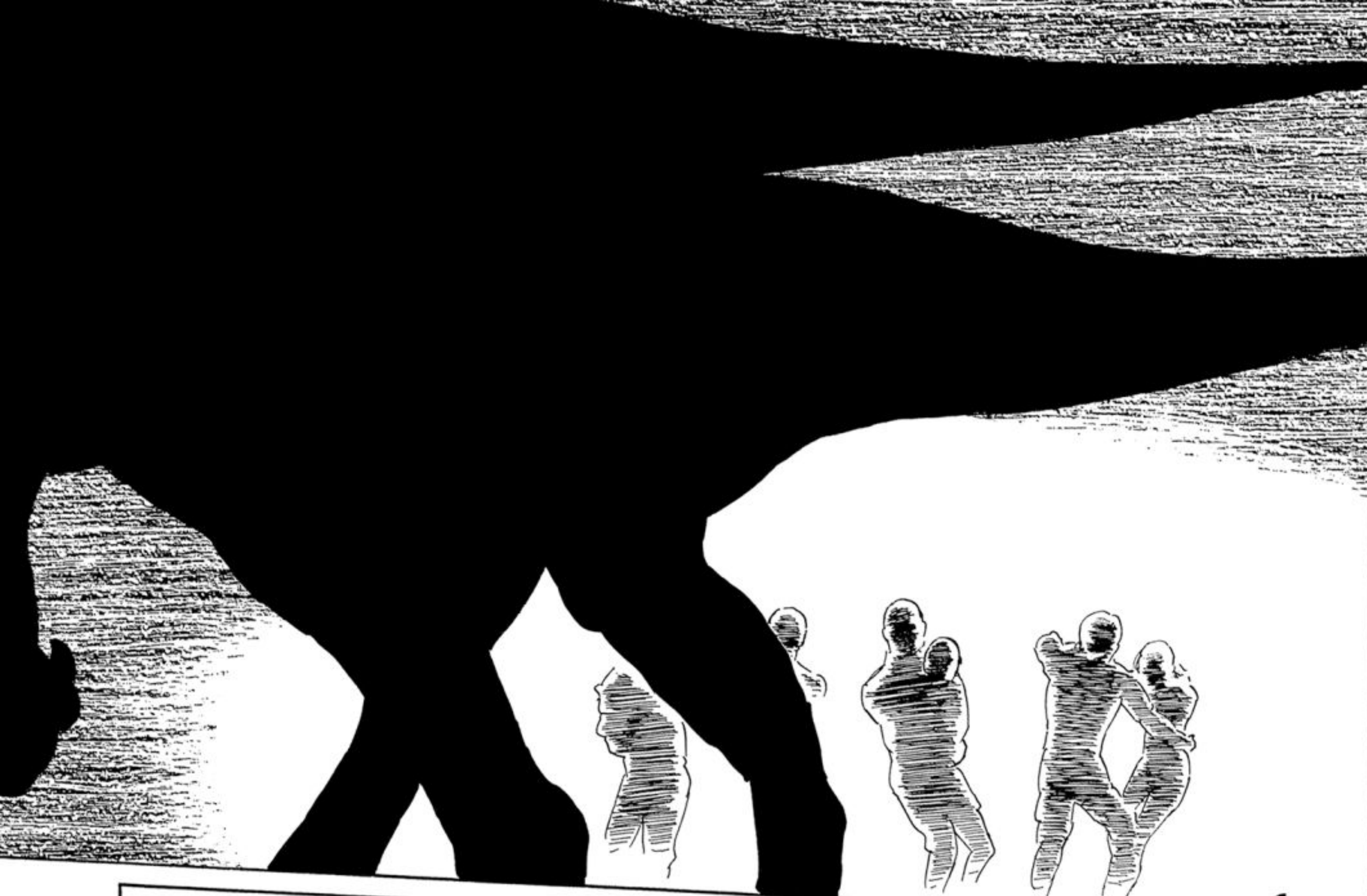
HARRY...





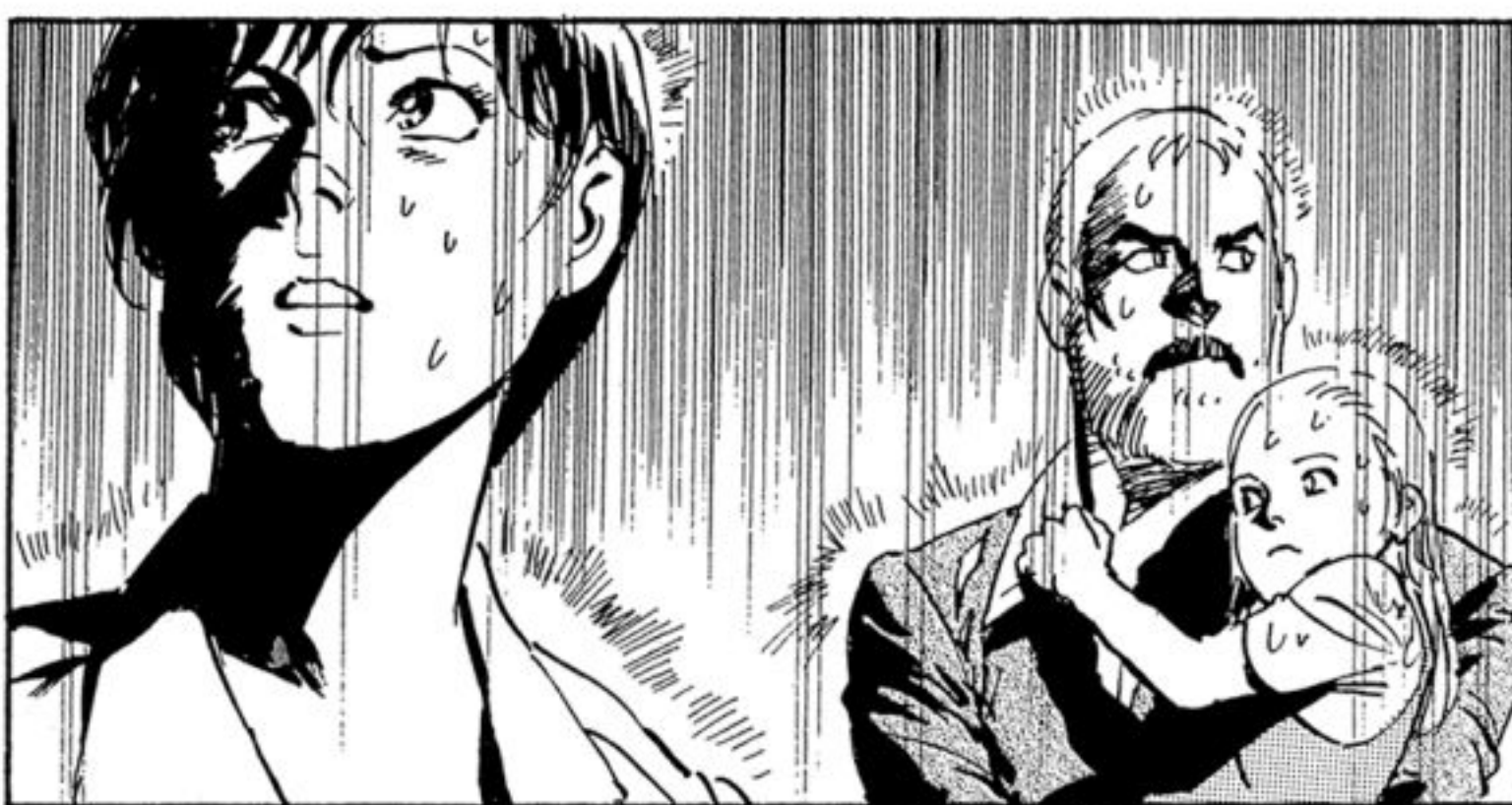


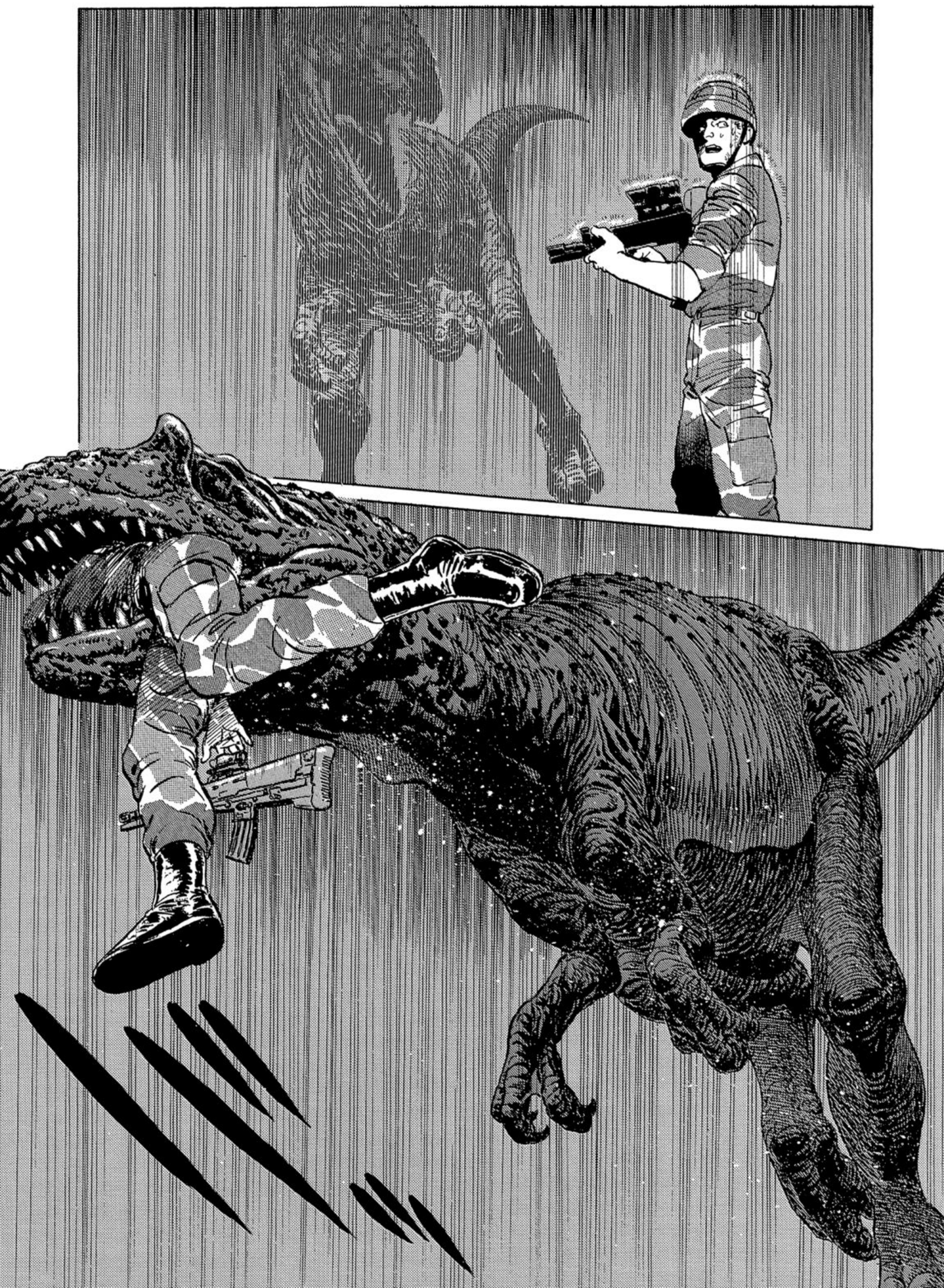


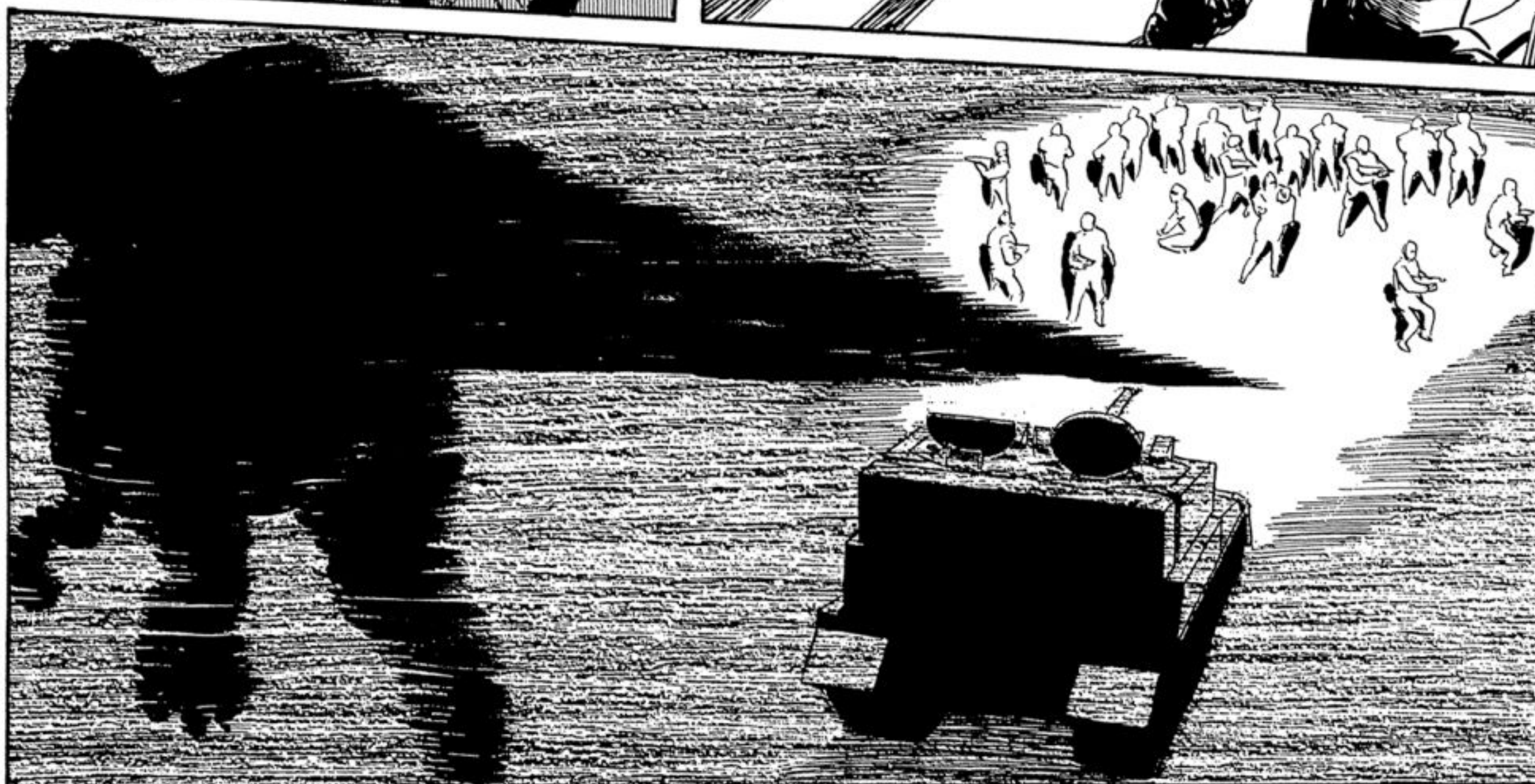


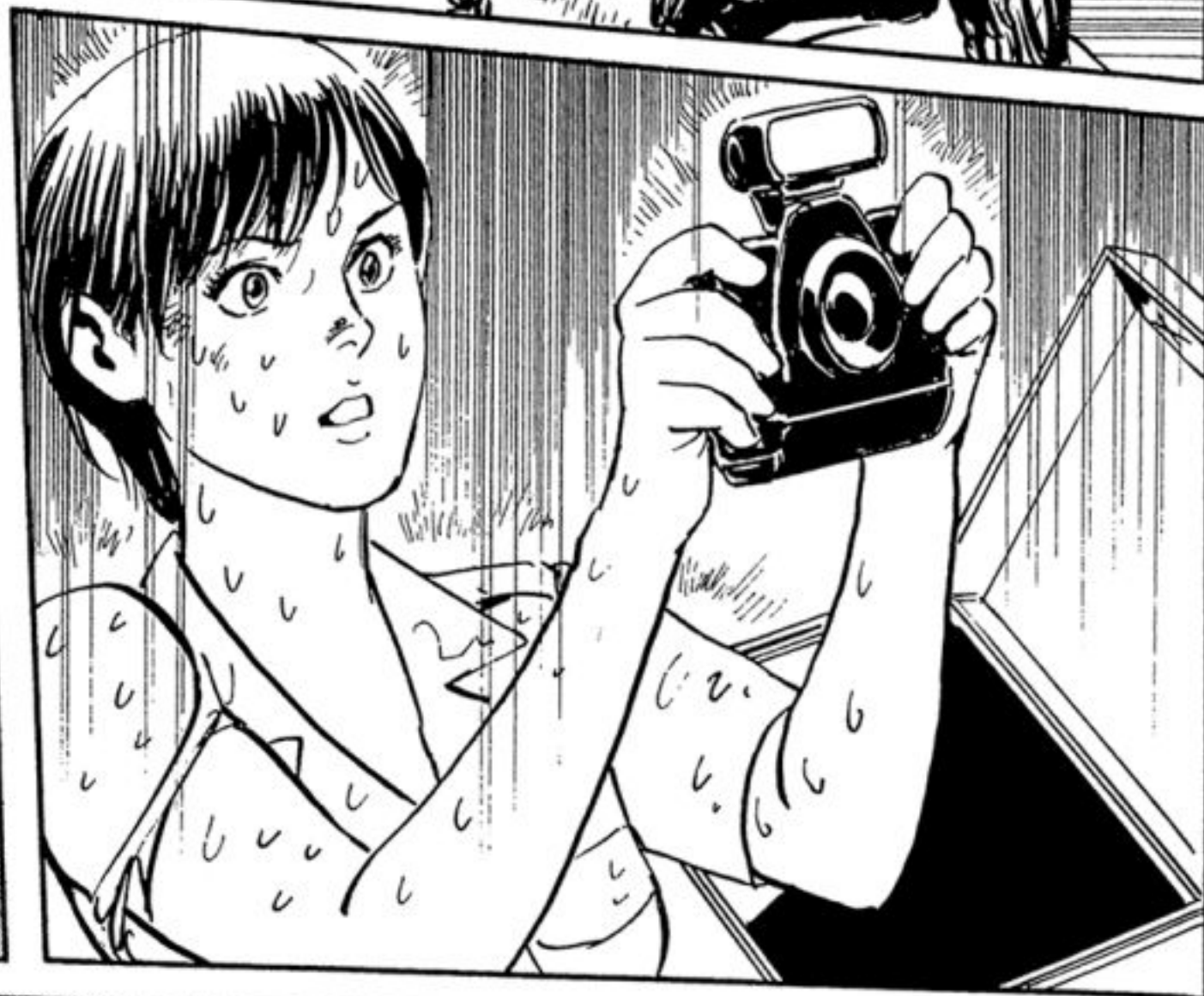
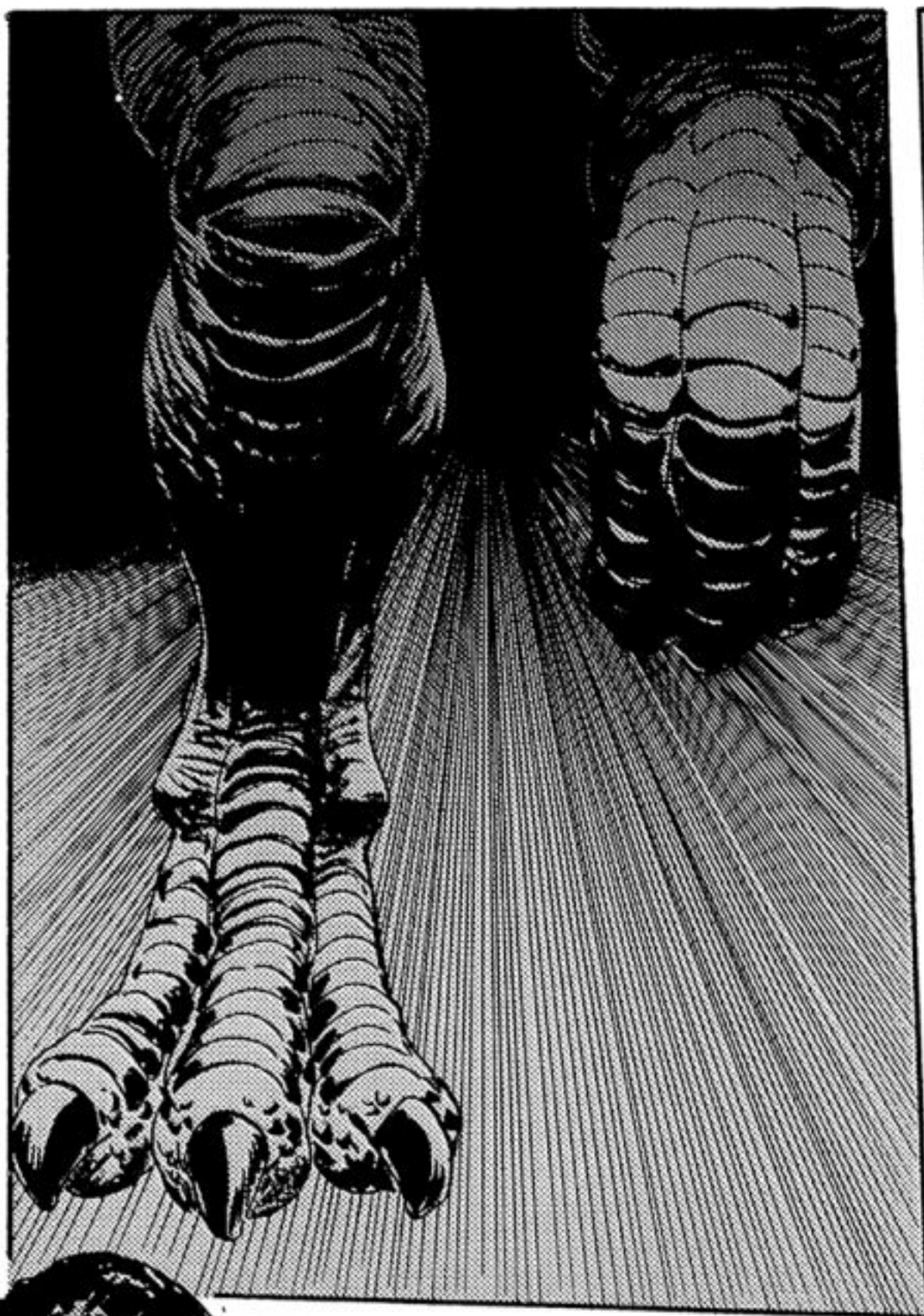
ALLO-
SAURUS...!



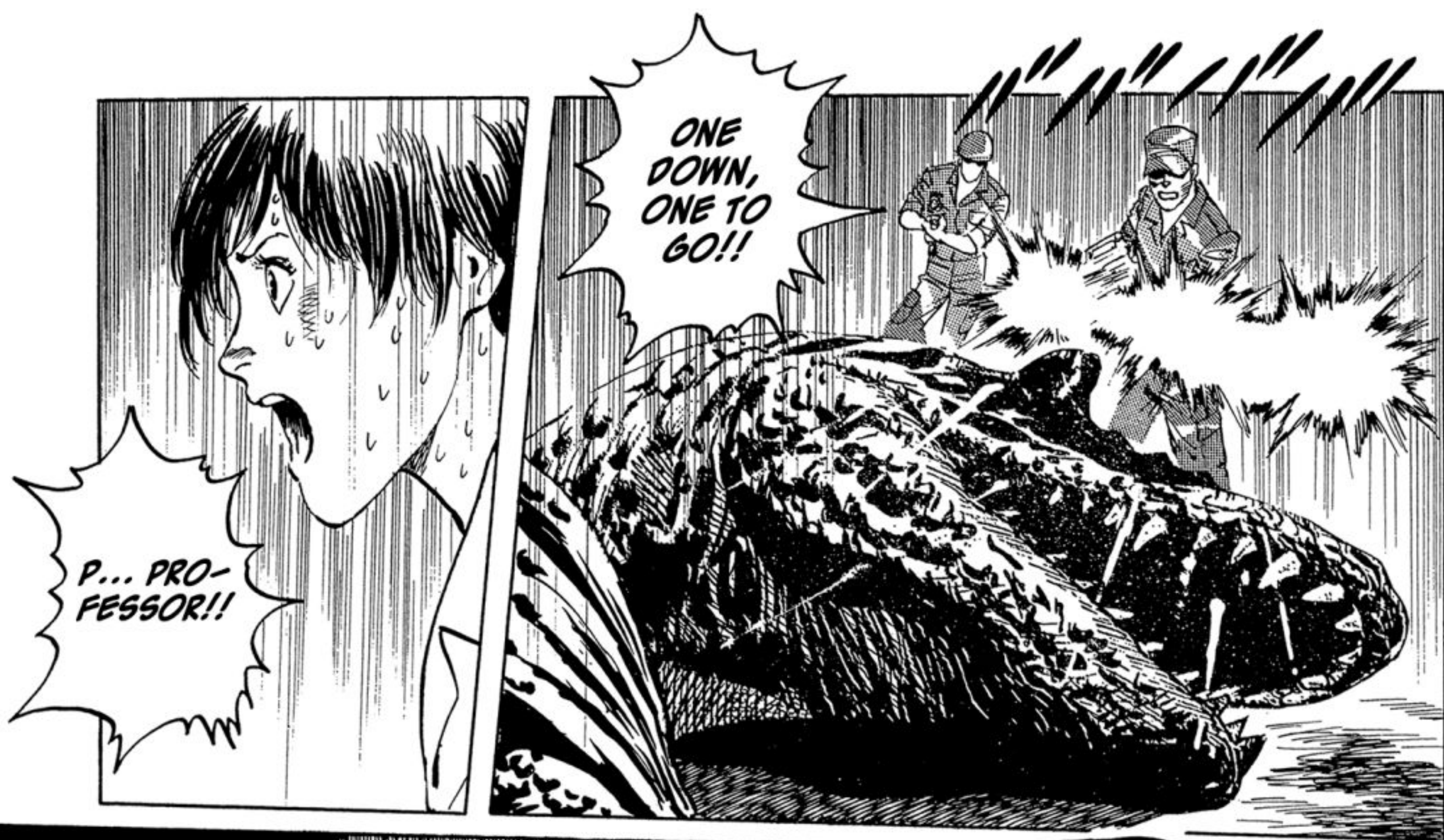


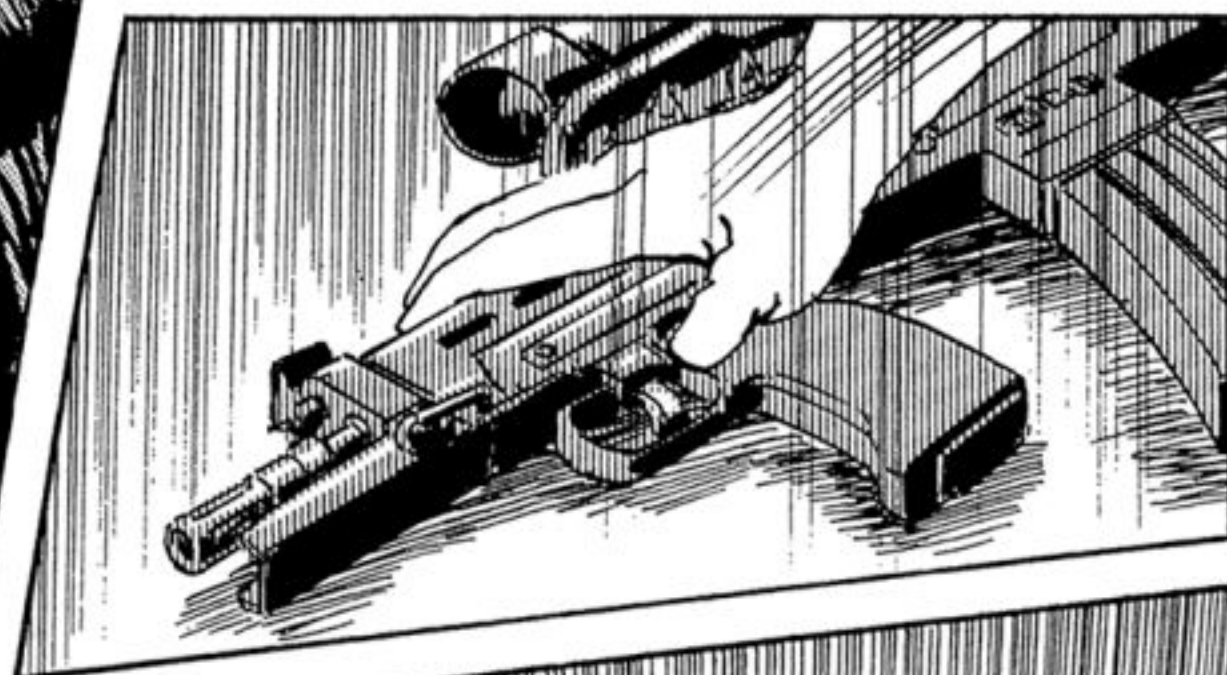


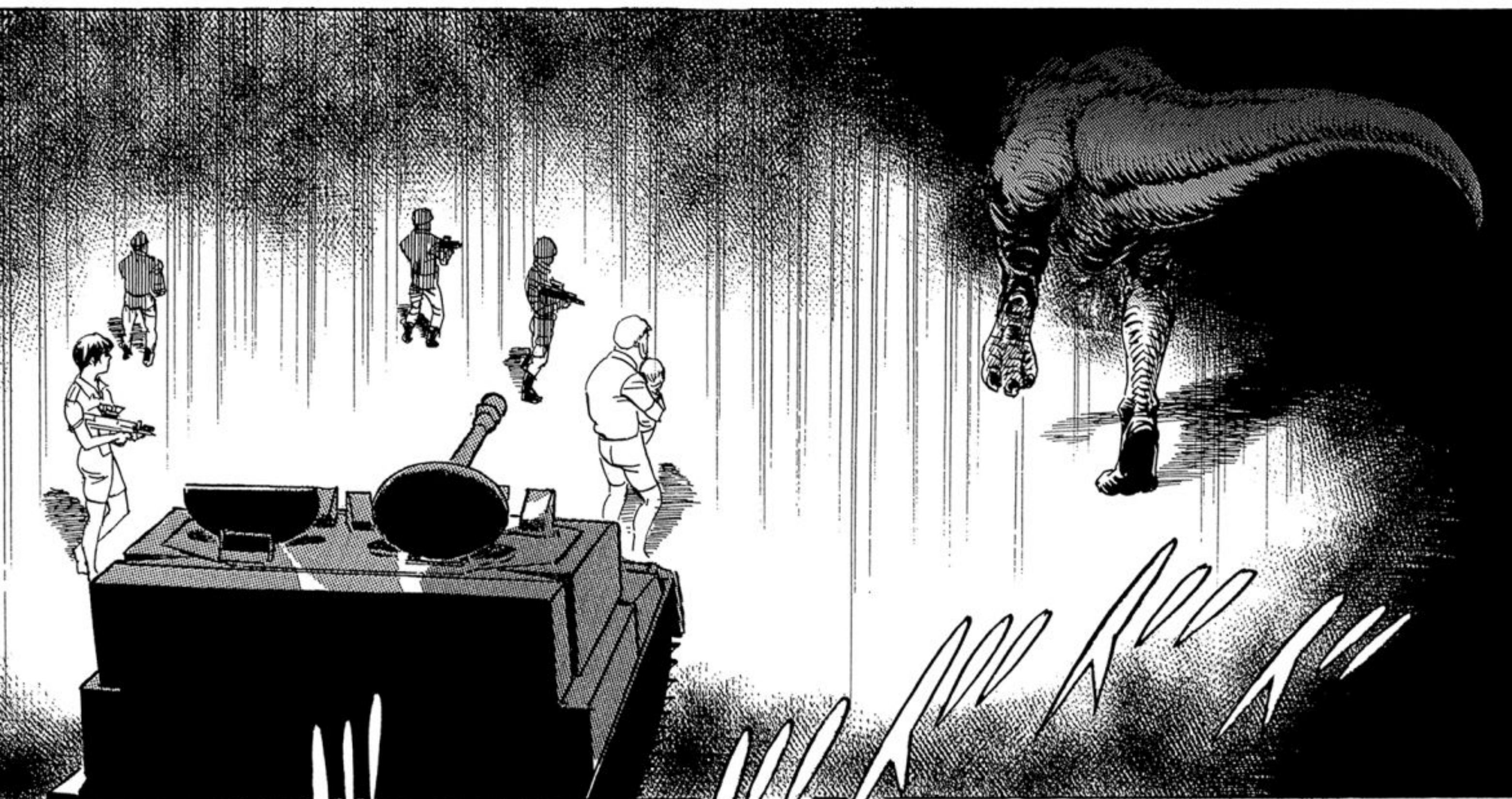


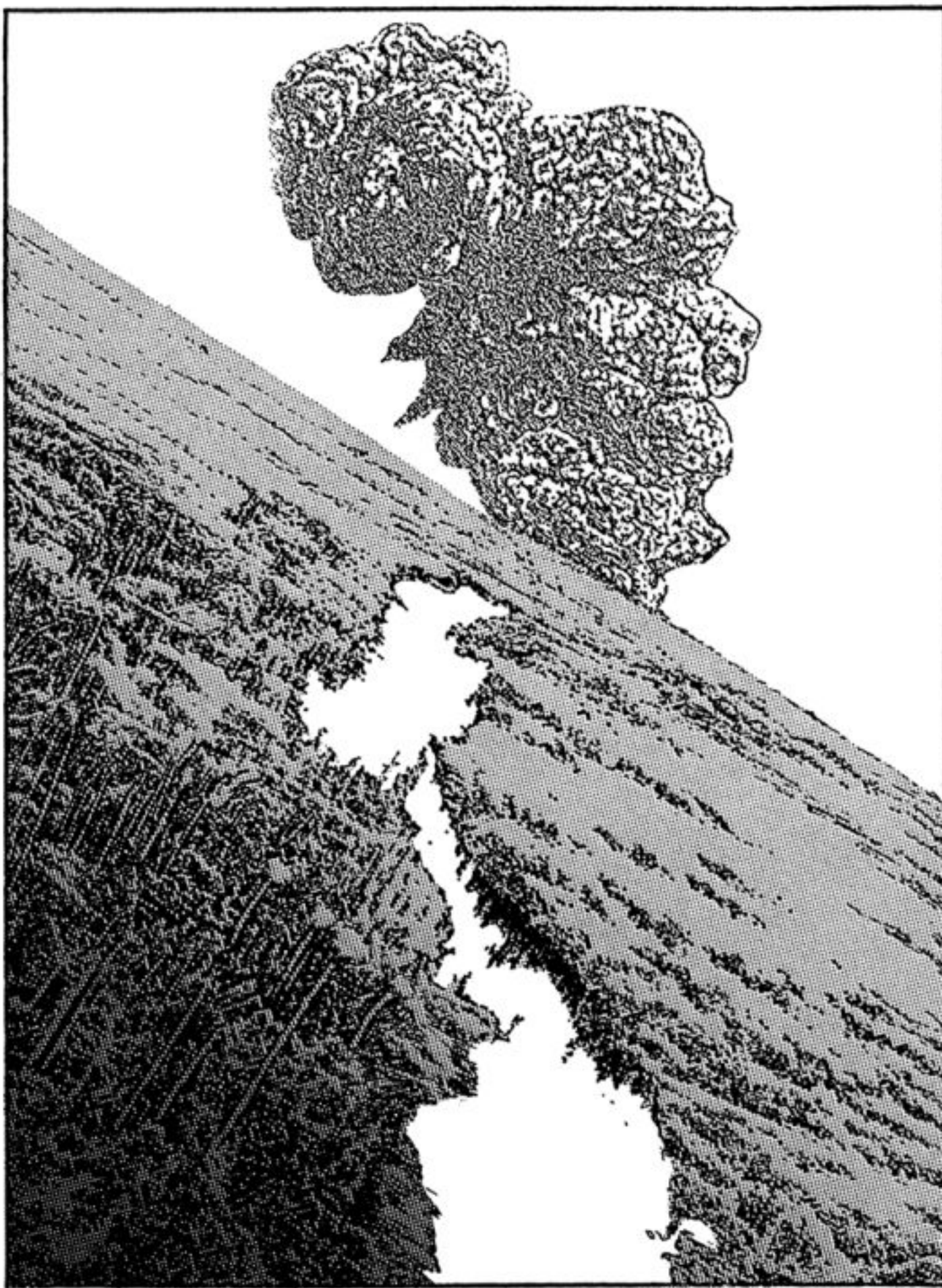






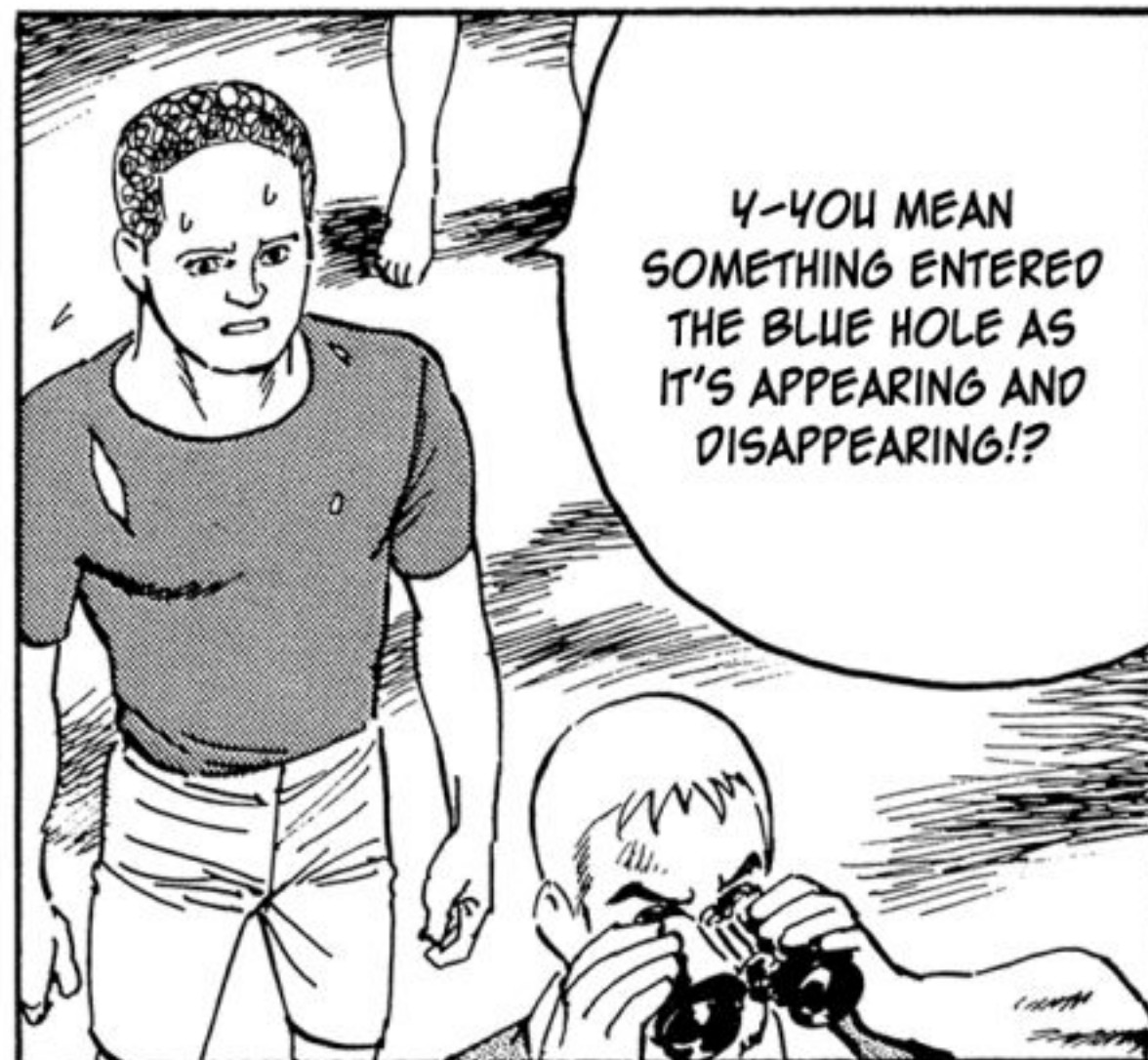








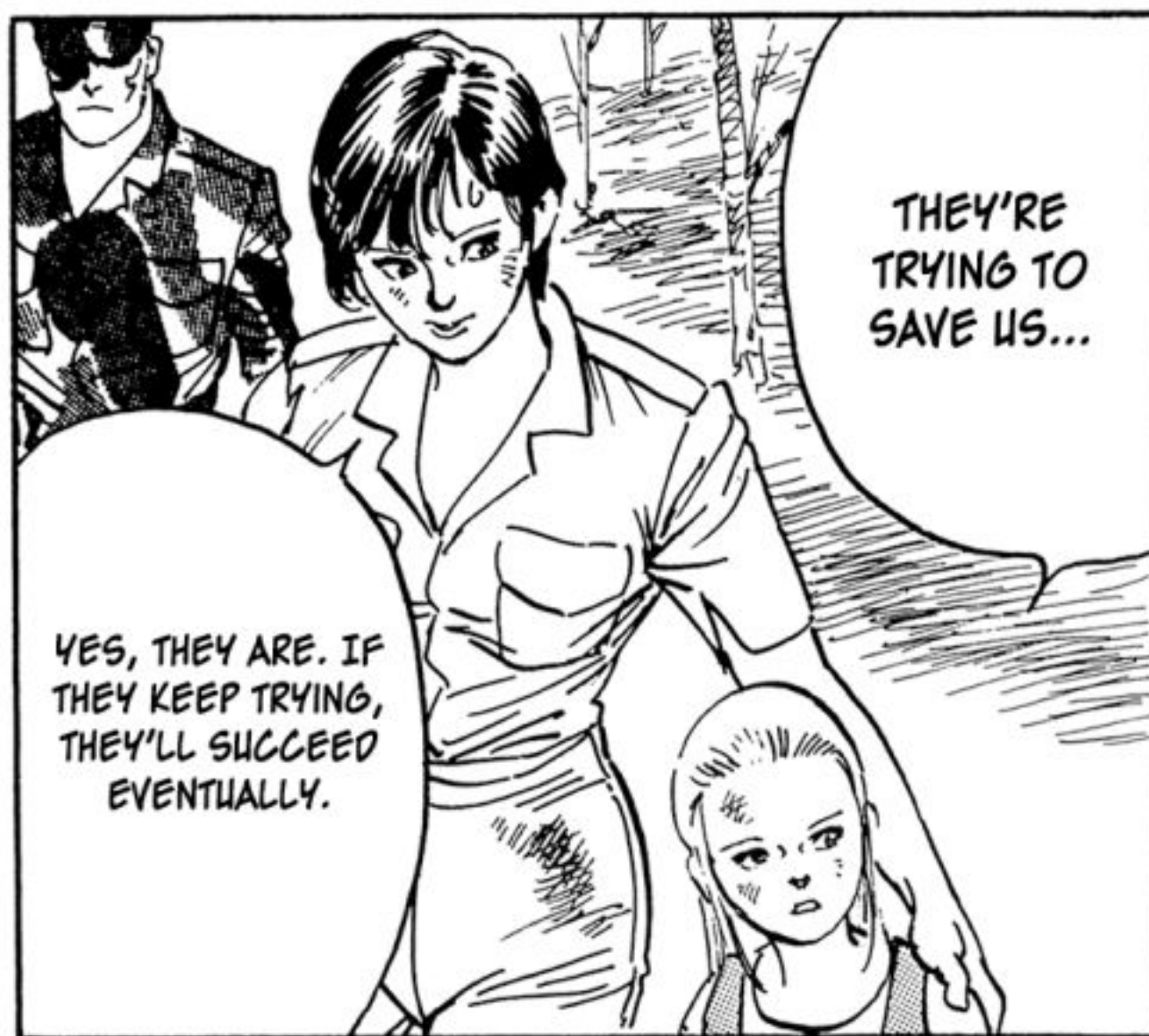
PROBABLY A
PROBE HOOKED UP TO
A COMMUNICATIONS
CABLE. IT MUST'VE
CAUSED ANOTHER
MATTER COLLISION...



4-YOU MEAN
SOMETHING ENTERED
THE BLUE HOLE AS
IT'S APPEARING AND
DISAPPEARING!?

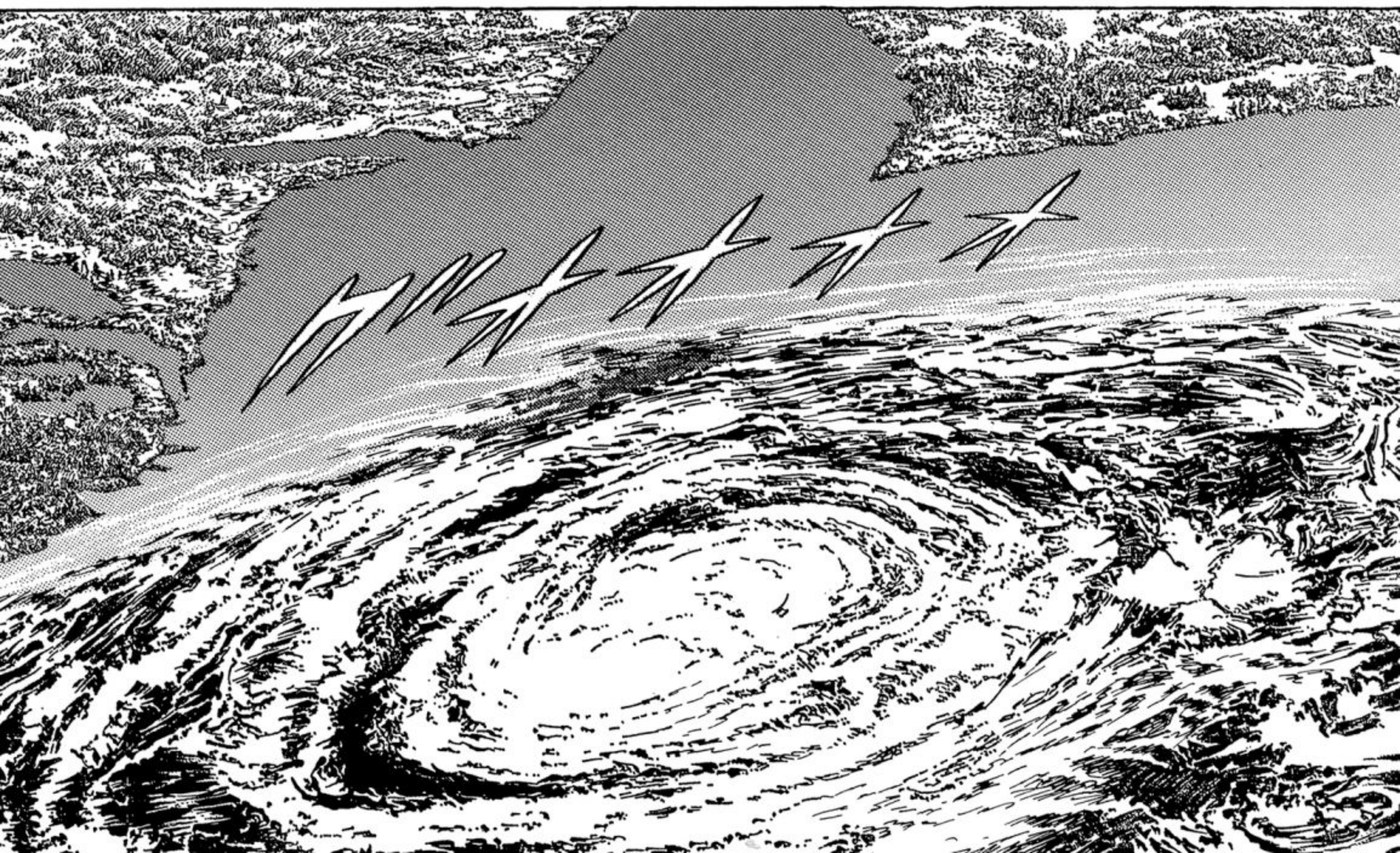


IF WE CAN GET
IN TOUCH WITH THE
MODERN WORLD,
WE CAN EXPLAIN
THE SITUATION!
THERE'S STILL
HOPE!

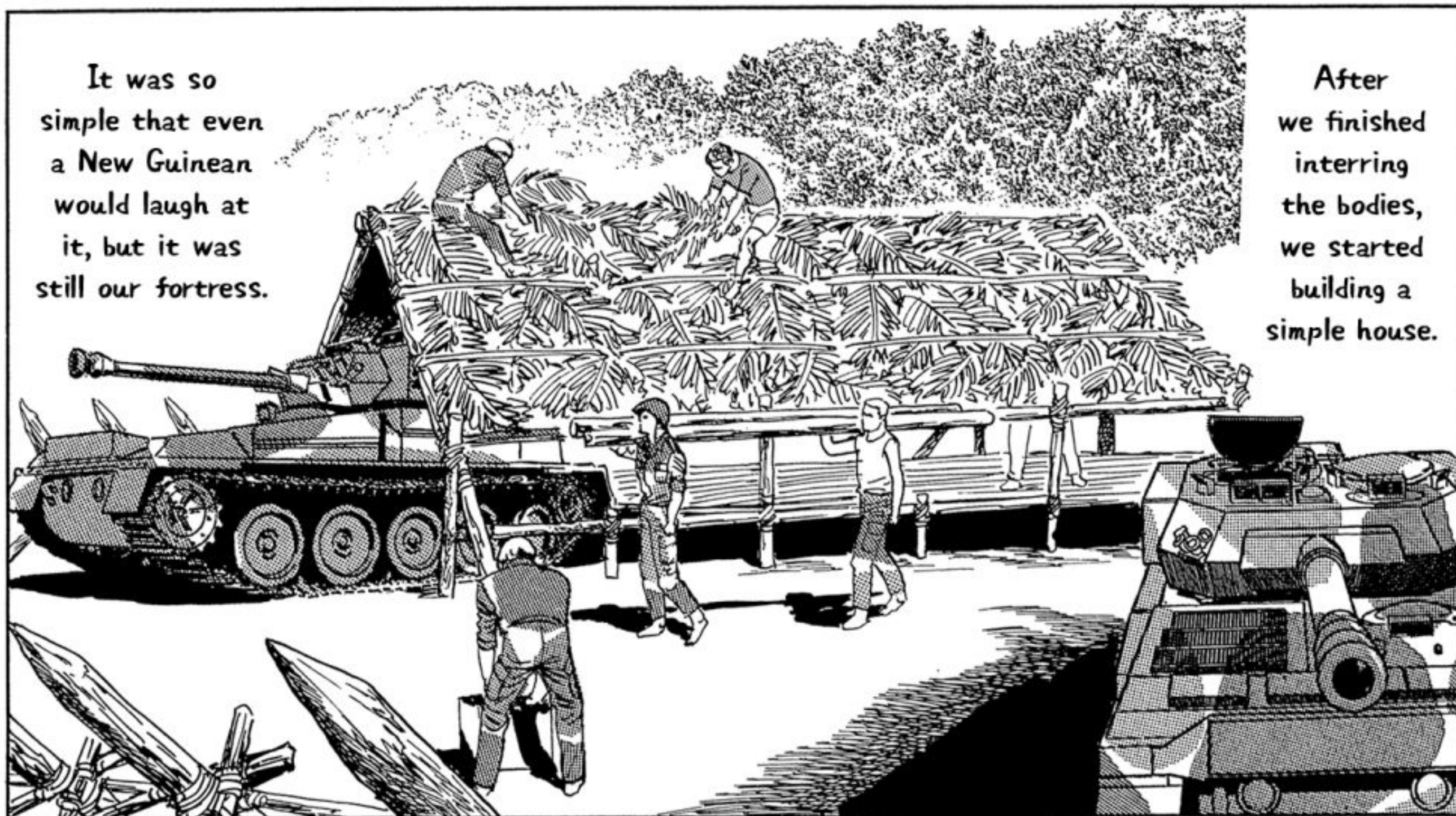


THEY'RE
TRYING TO
SAVE US...

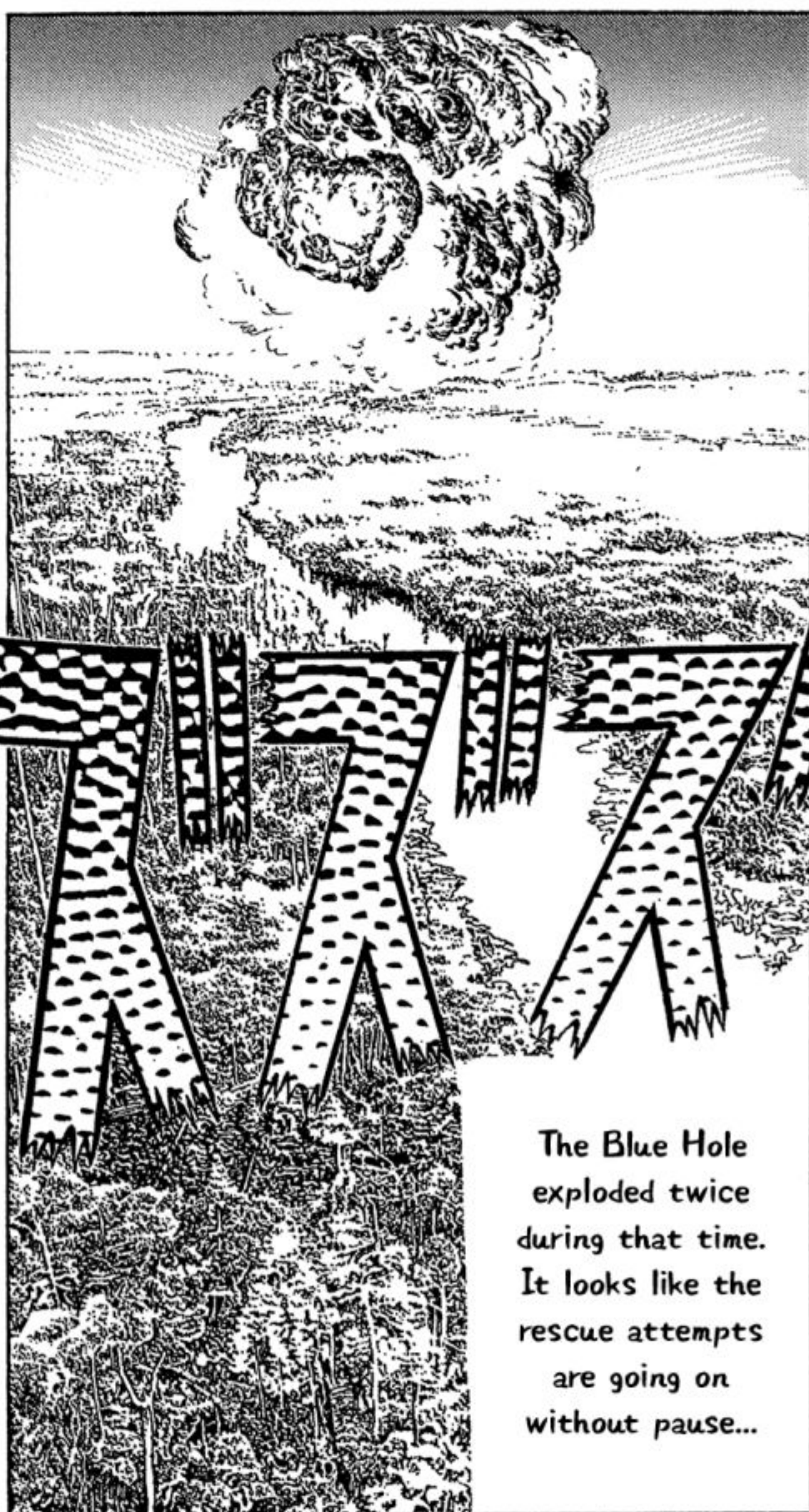
YES, THEY ARE. IF
THEY KEEP TRYING,
THEY'LL SUCCEED
EVENTUALLY.



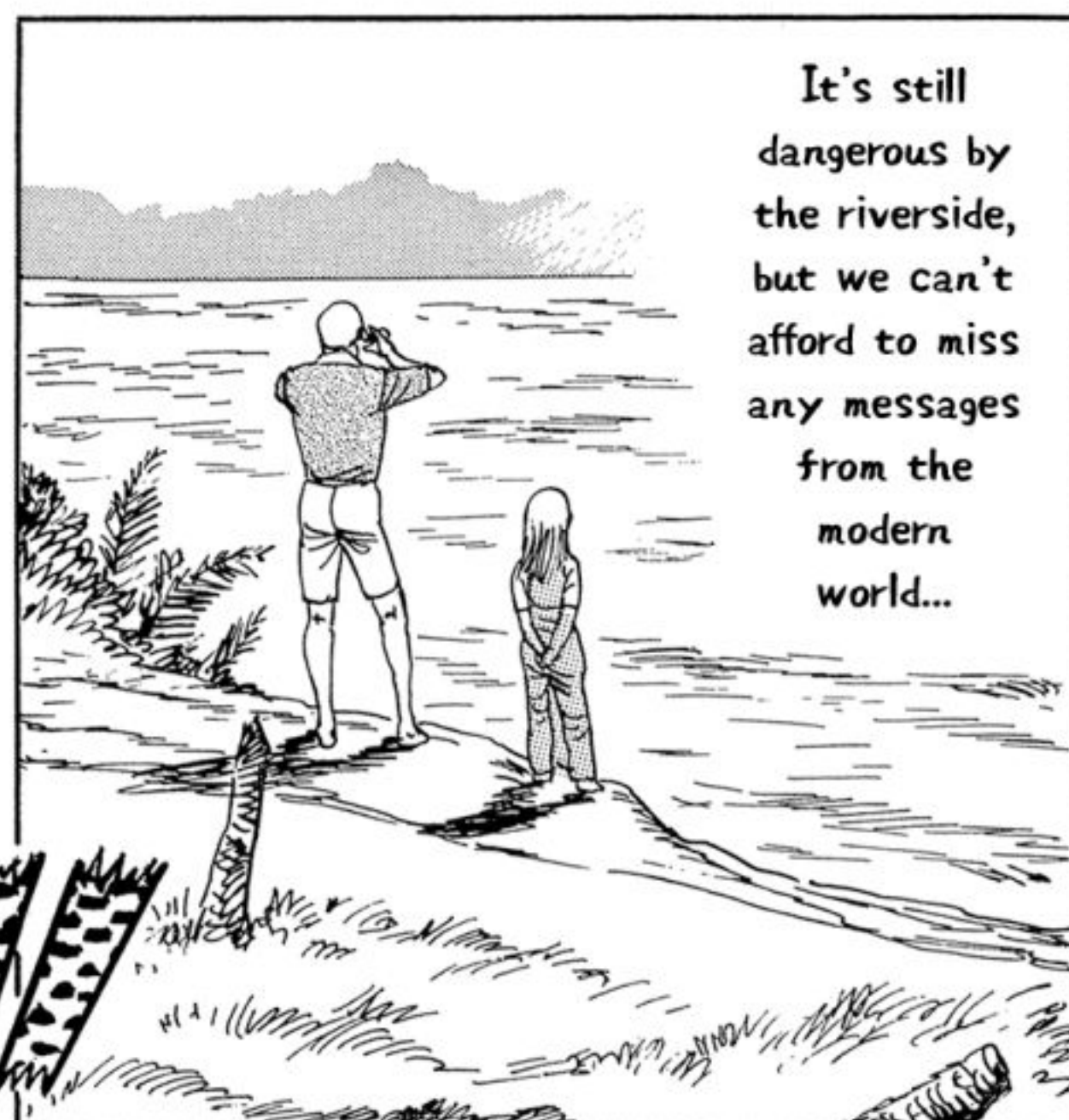
It was so simple that even a New Guinean would laugh at it, but it was still our fortress.



After we finished interring the bodies, we started building a simple house.



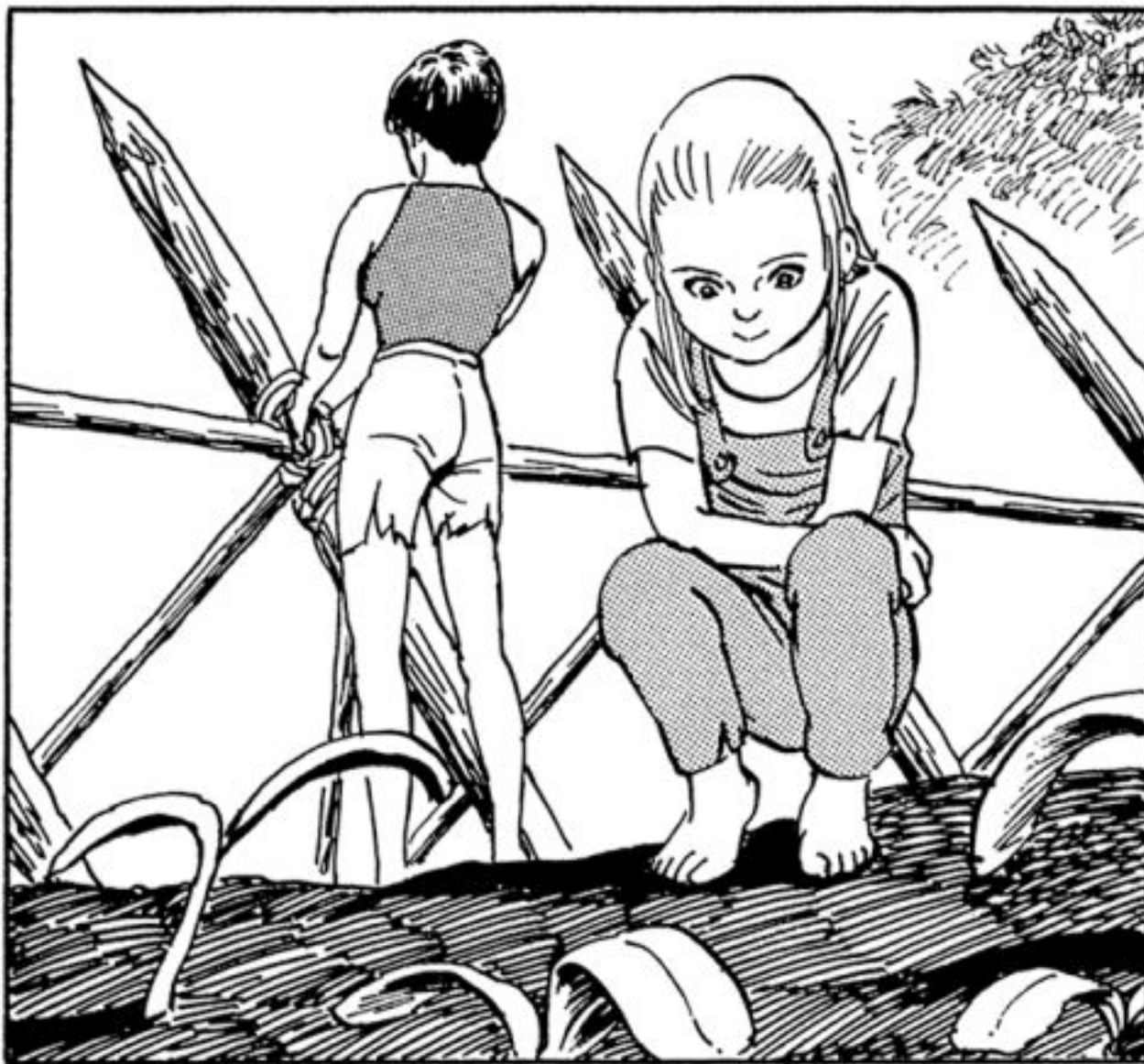
The Blue Hole exploded twice during that time. It looks like the rescue attempts are going on without pause...

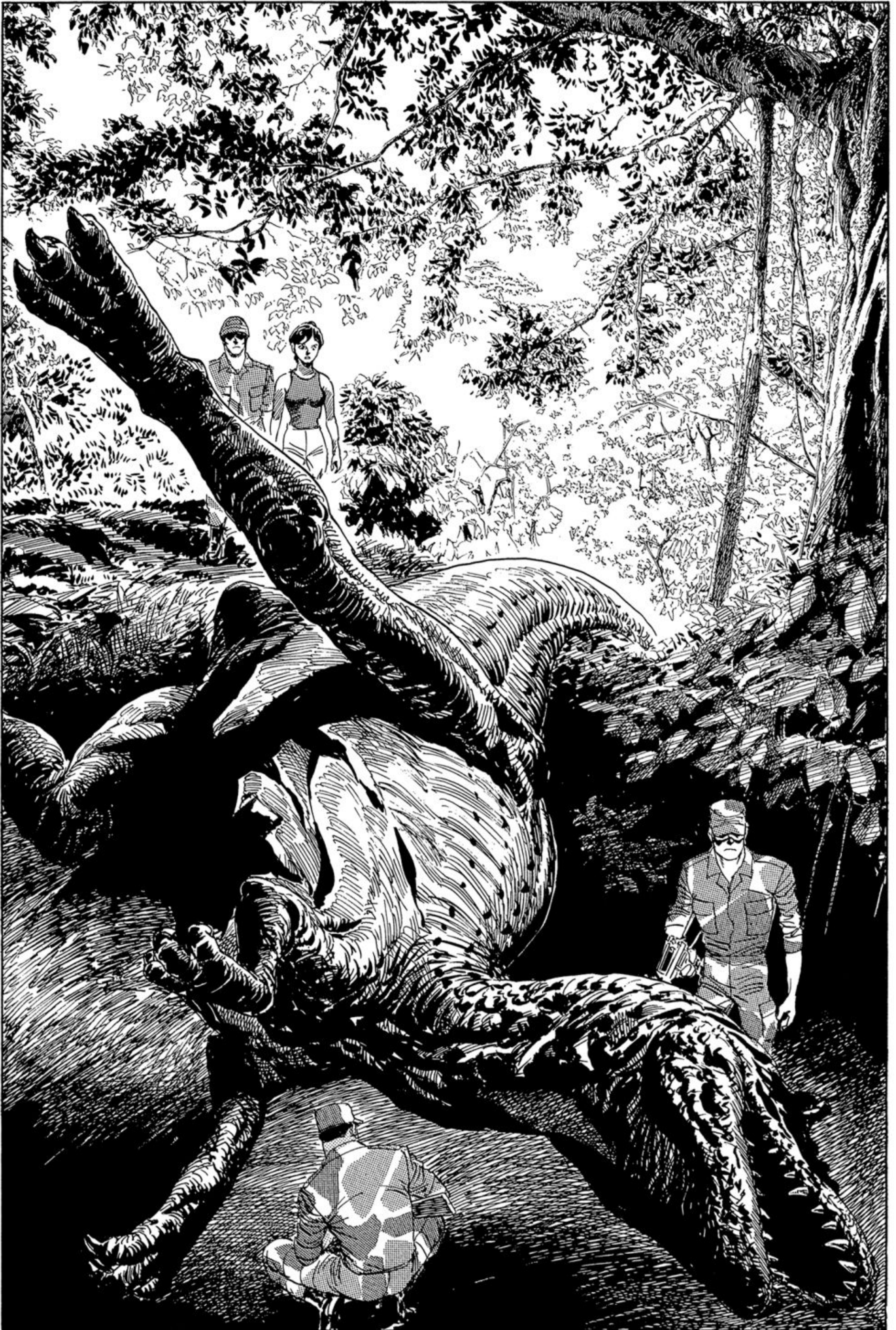


It's still dangerous by the riverside, but we can't afford to miss any messages from the modern world...



It's been four days since we lost the base. That's four days without air conditioning.



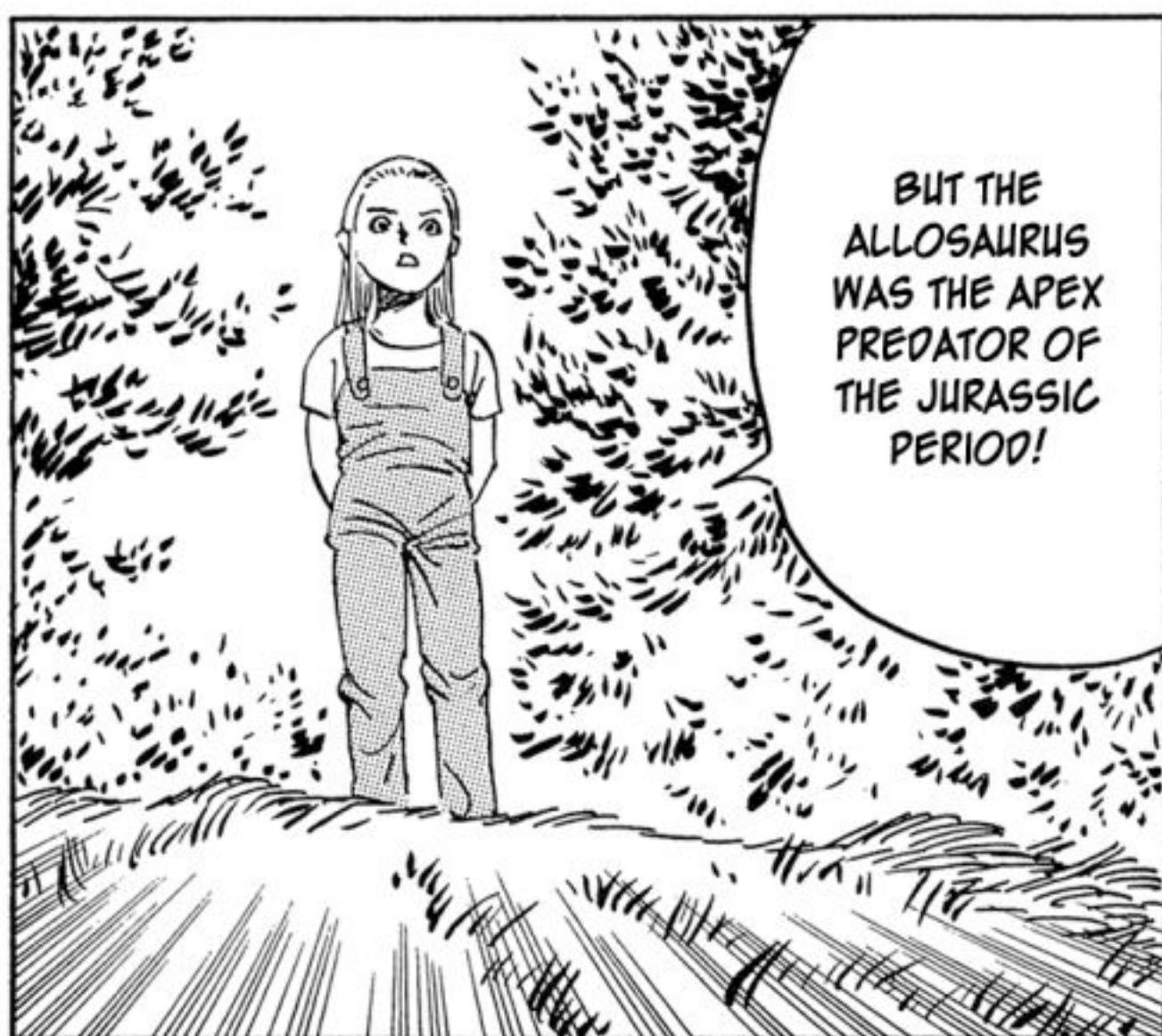




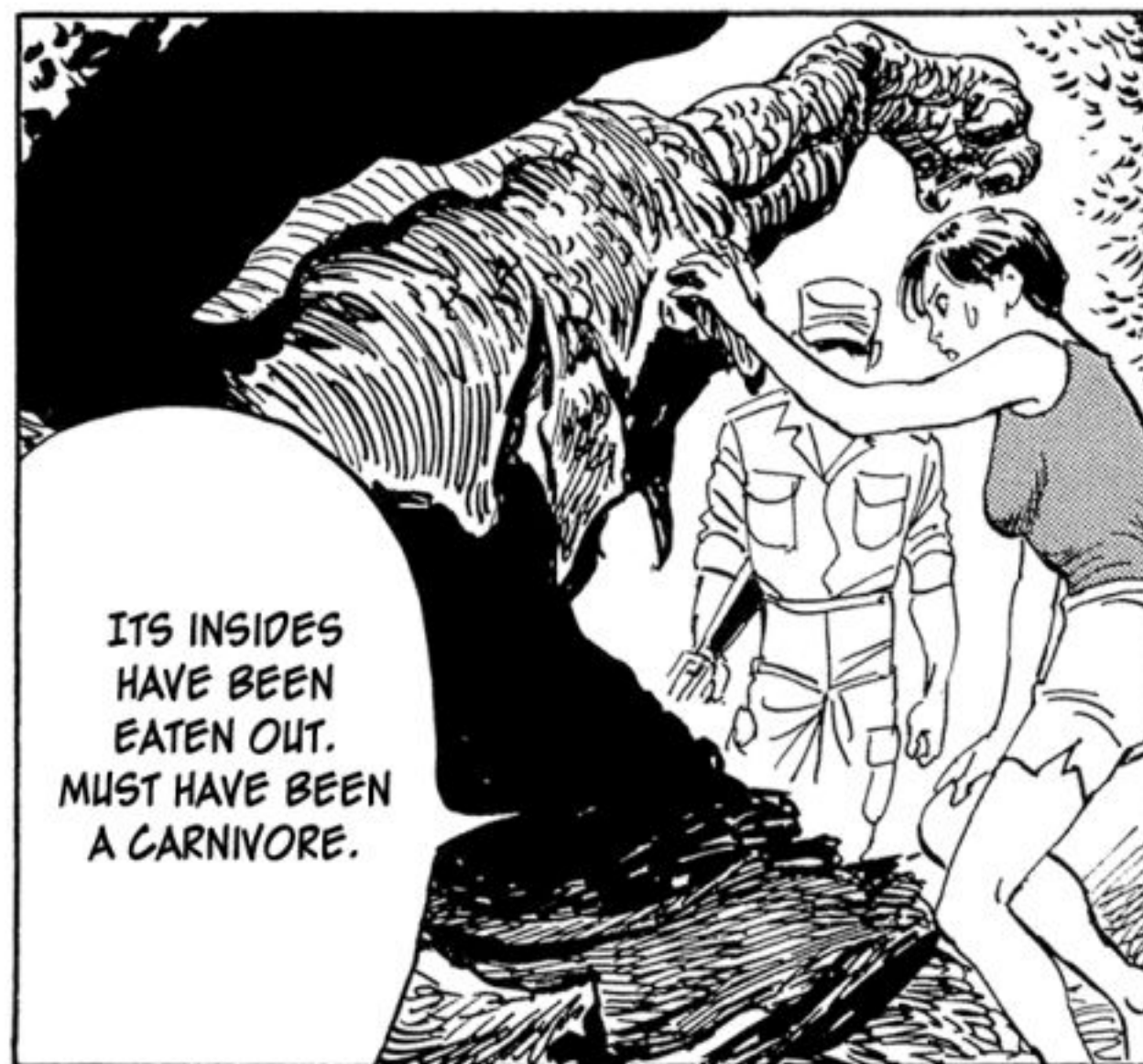
IT MIGHT BE
THE ONE THAT GOT
AWAY LAST NIGHT.
DOESN'T LOOK
LIKE IT'S BEEN
DEAD FOR LONG...



AN ALLO-
SAURUS...!



BUT THE
ALLOSAURUS
WAS THE APEX
PREDATOR OF
THE JURASSIC
PERIOD!



ITS INSIDES
HAVE BEEN
EATEN OUT.
MUST HAVE BEEN
A CARNIVORE.



BUT IT
LOOKS LIKE
THAT'S NOT
THE CASE...
TAKE A LOOK
AT THIS!

THAT'S WHAT
WE THOUGHT
AT FIRST, TOO,
PROFESSOR
PAT...



PAT!

THE ONLY
THING THAT
COULD EAT AN
ALLOSAURUS
IS ANOTHER
ALLOSAURUS...
IT'S GOTTA BE
CANNIBALISM!

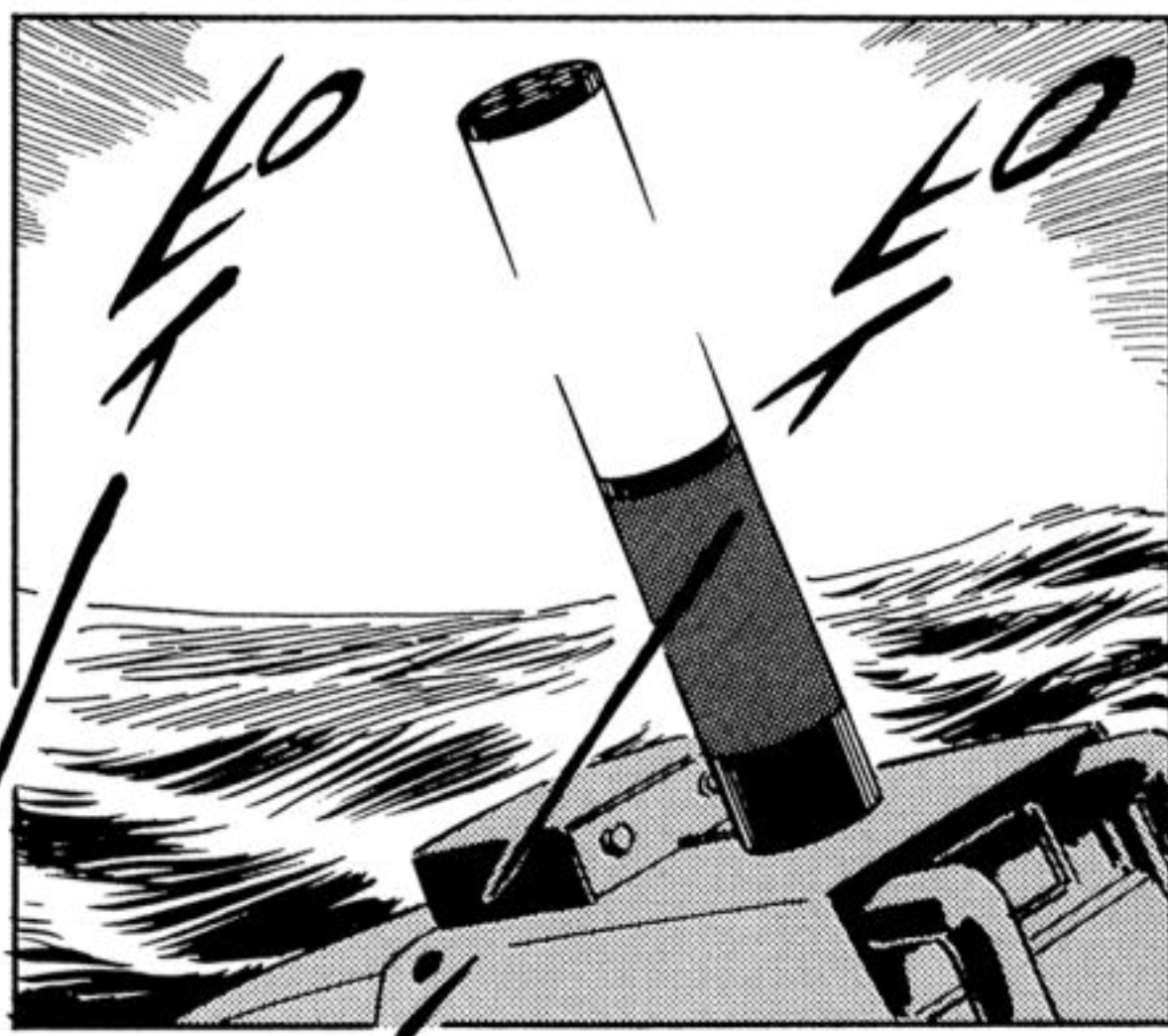
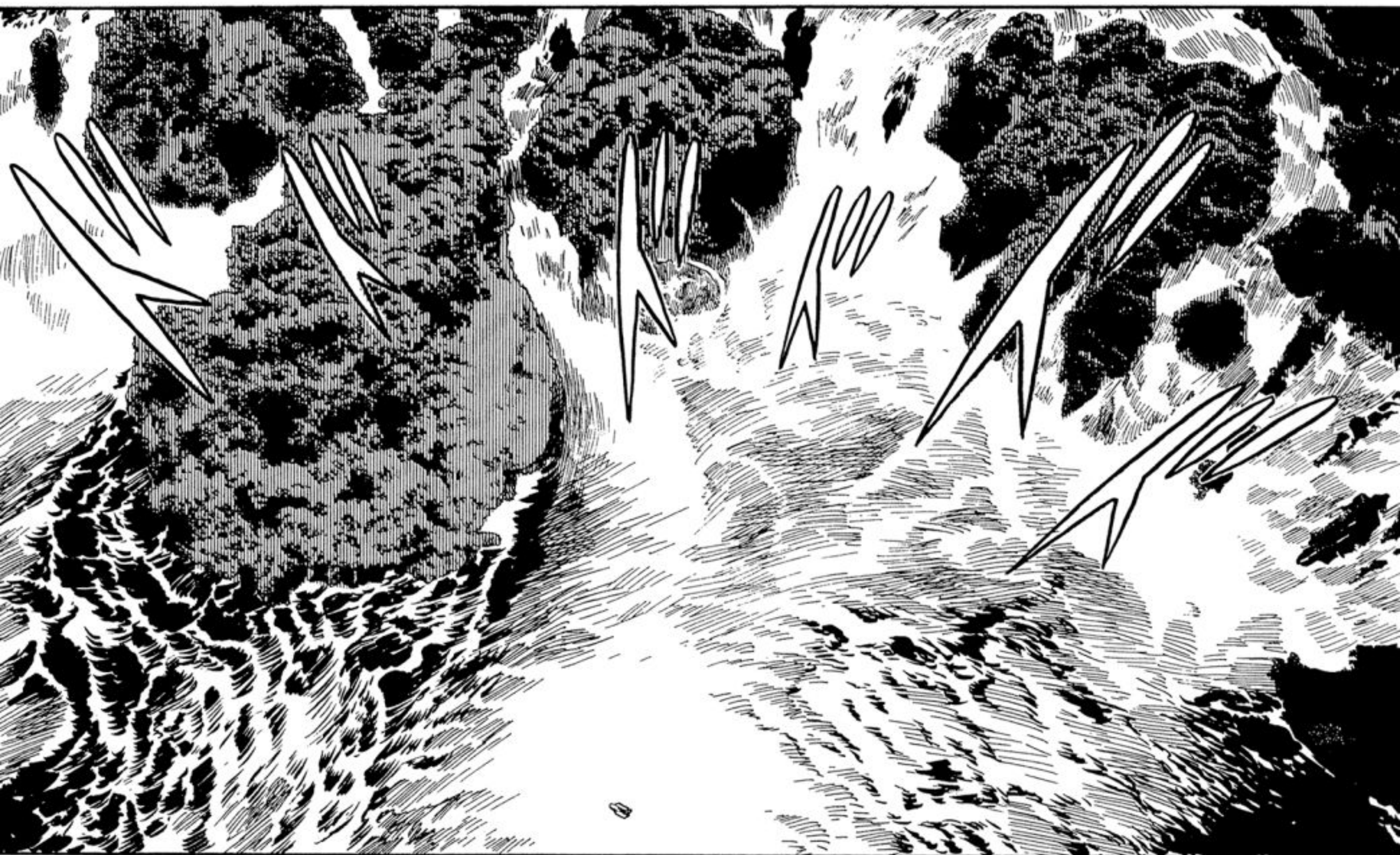
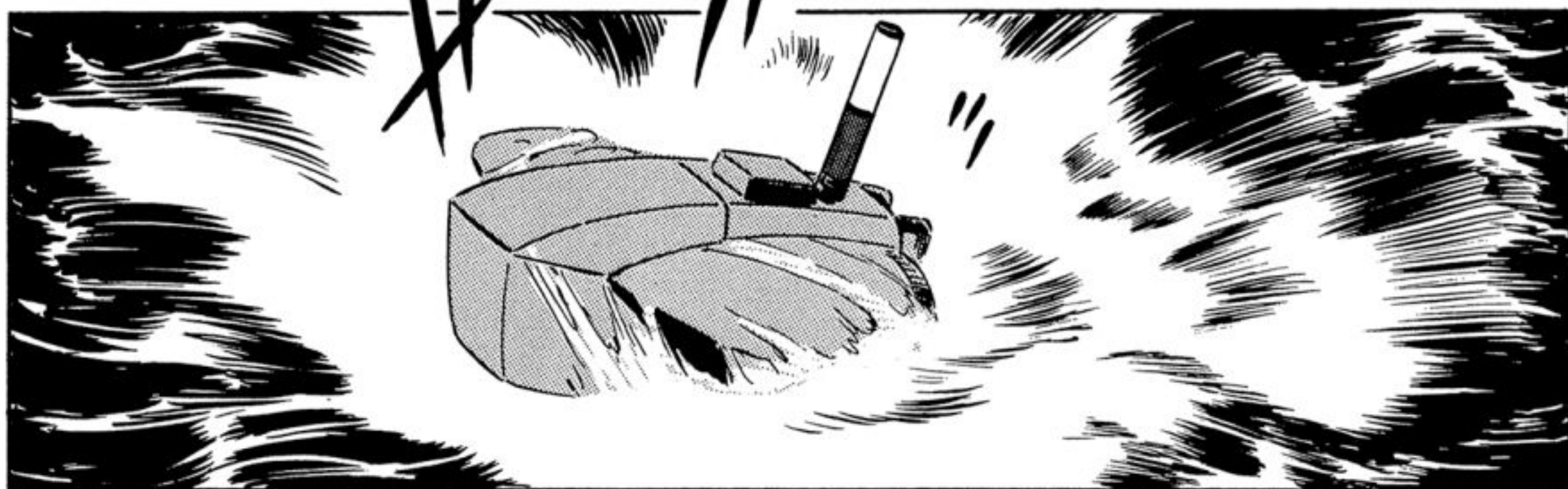


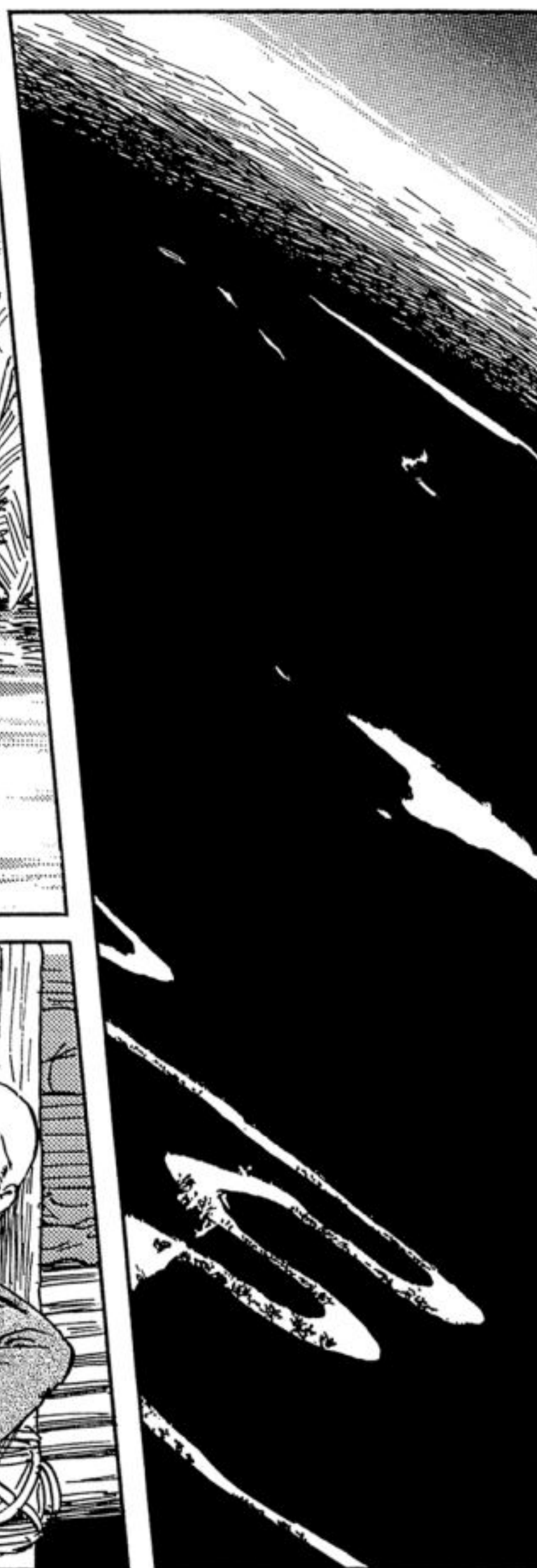
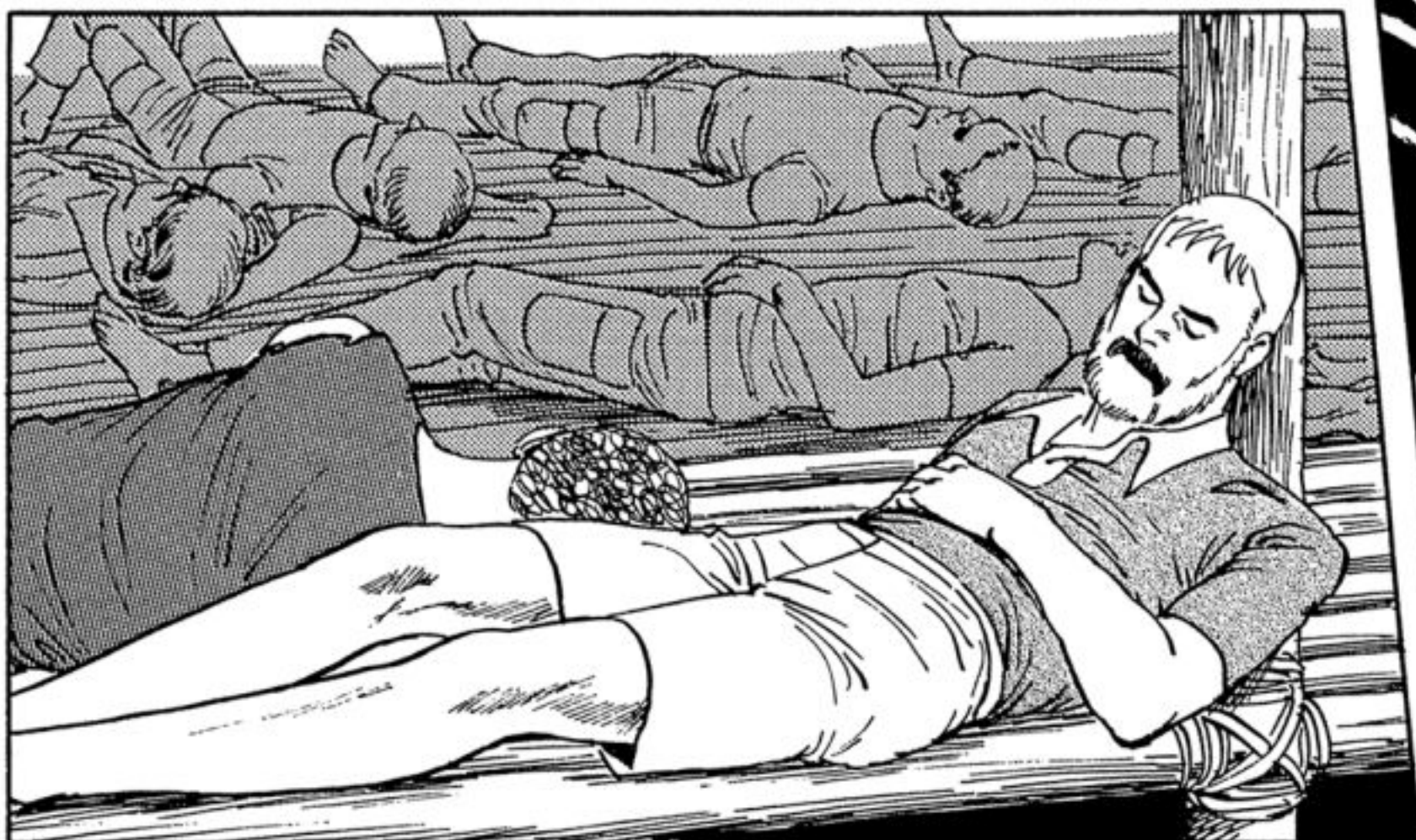
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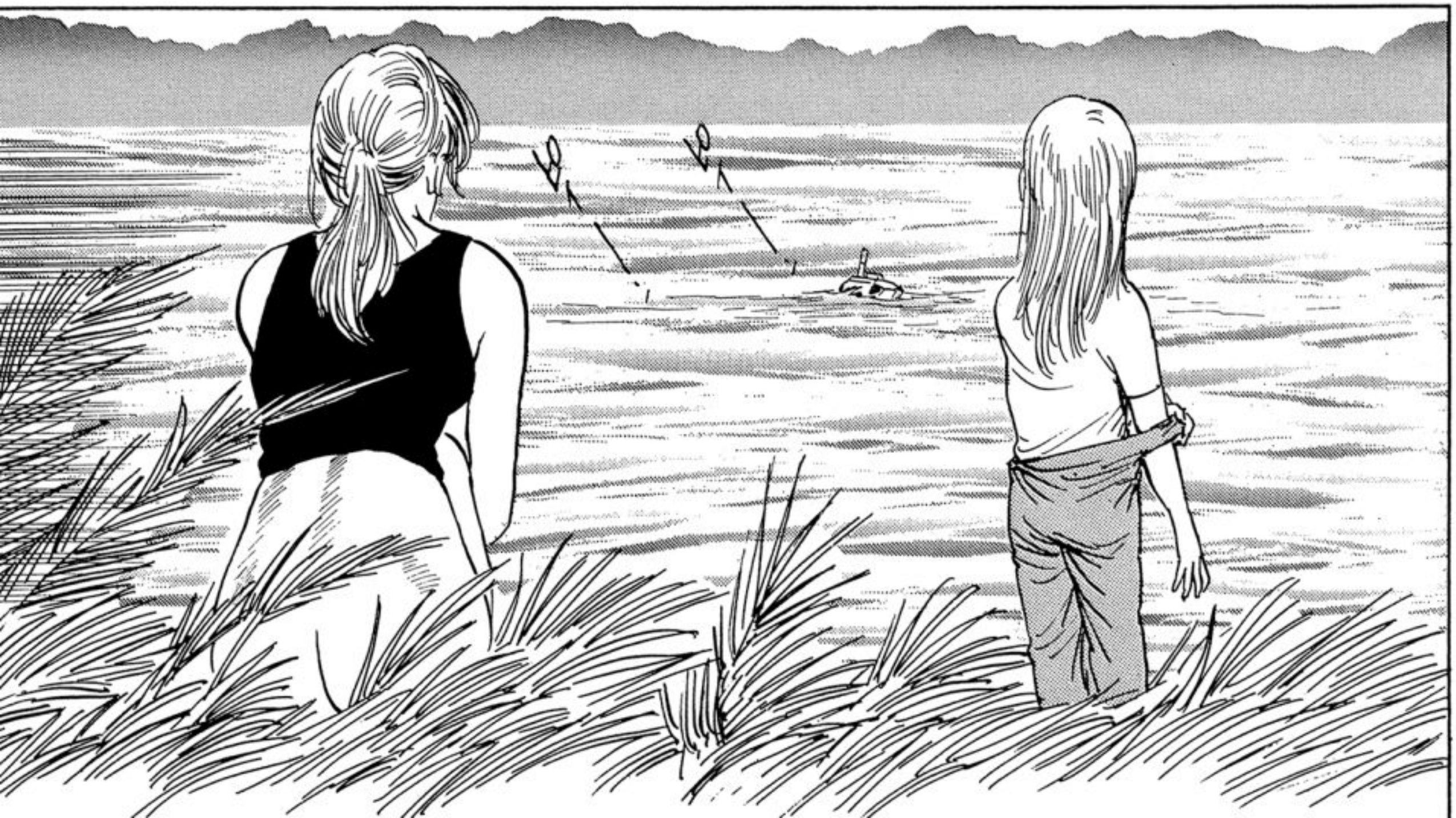
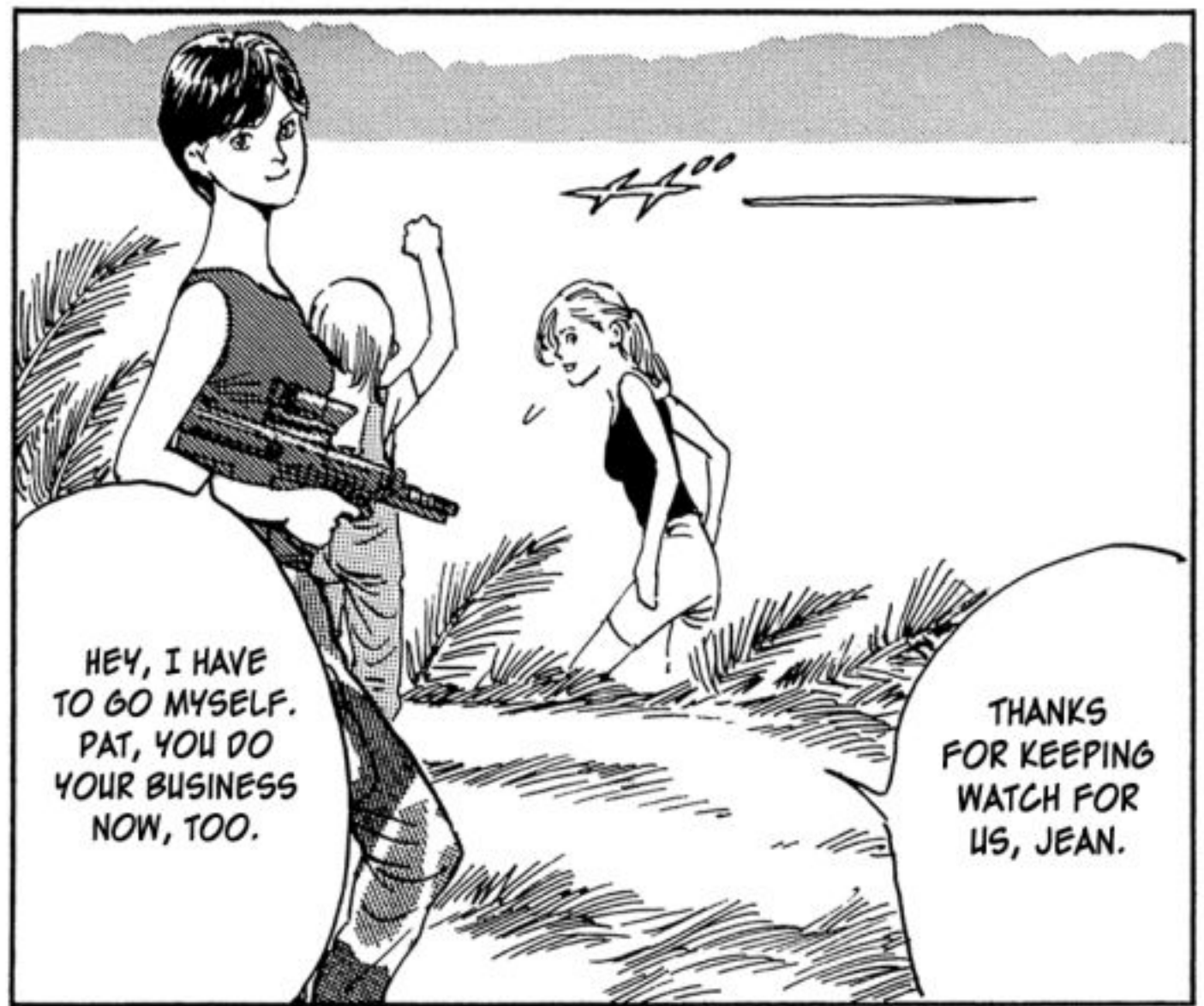
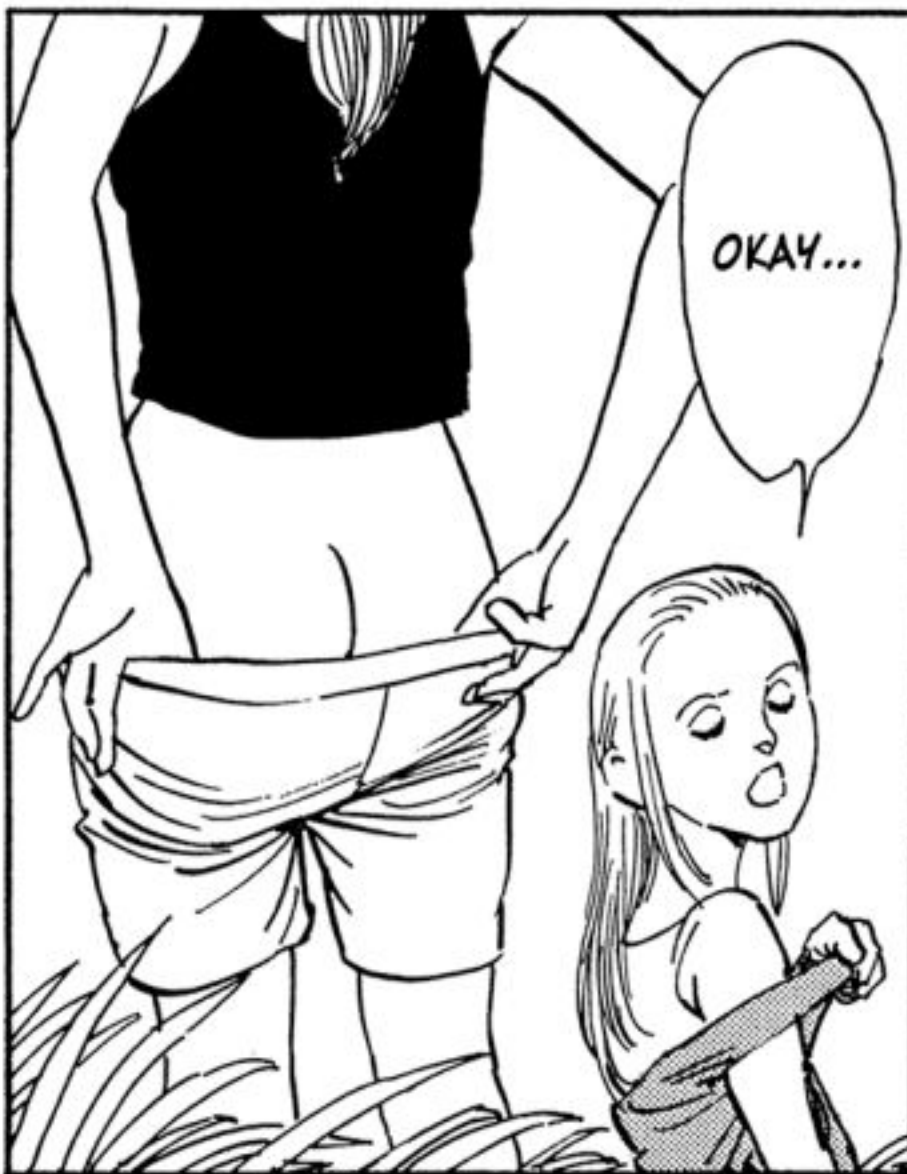
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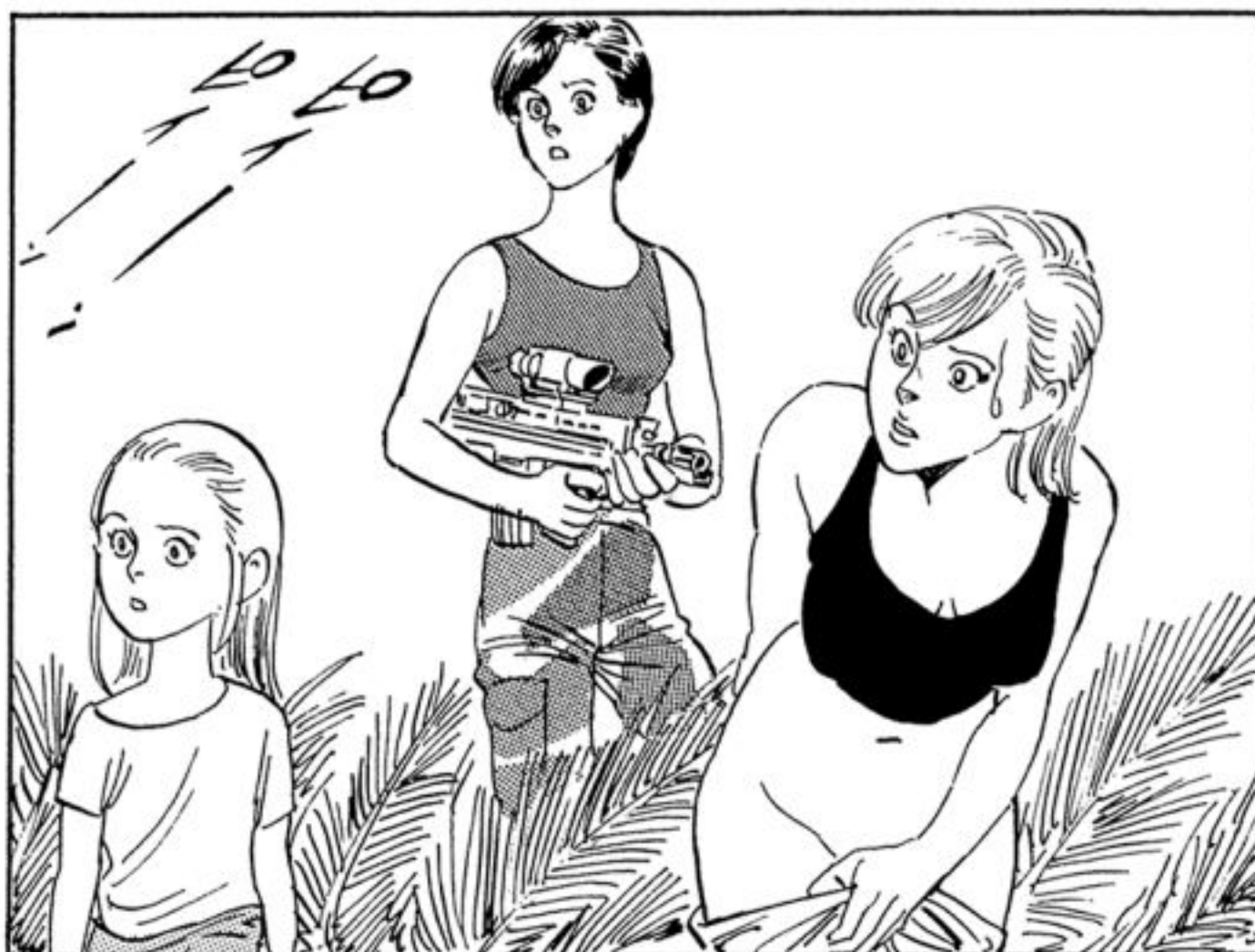
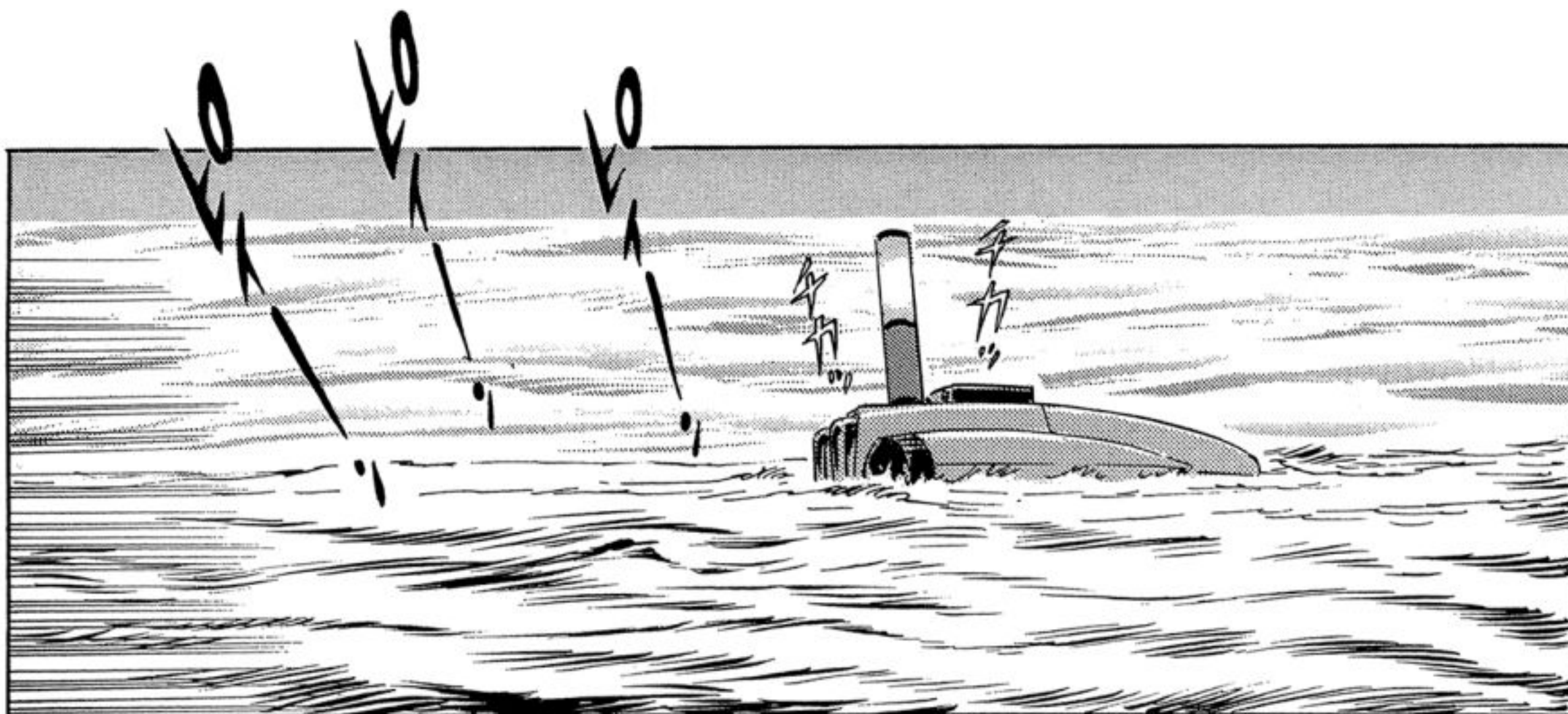


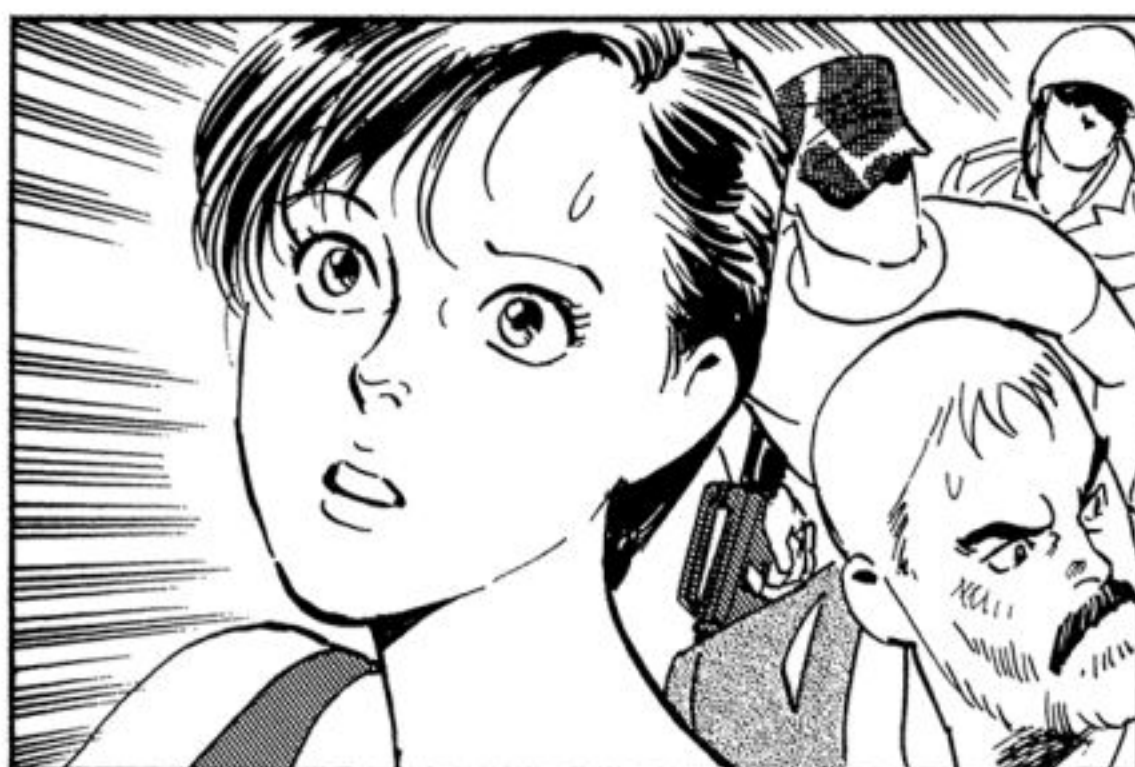
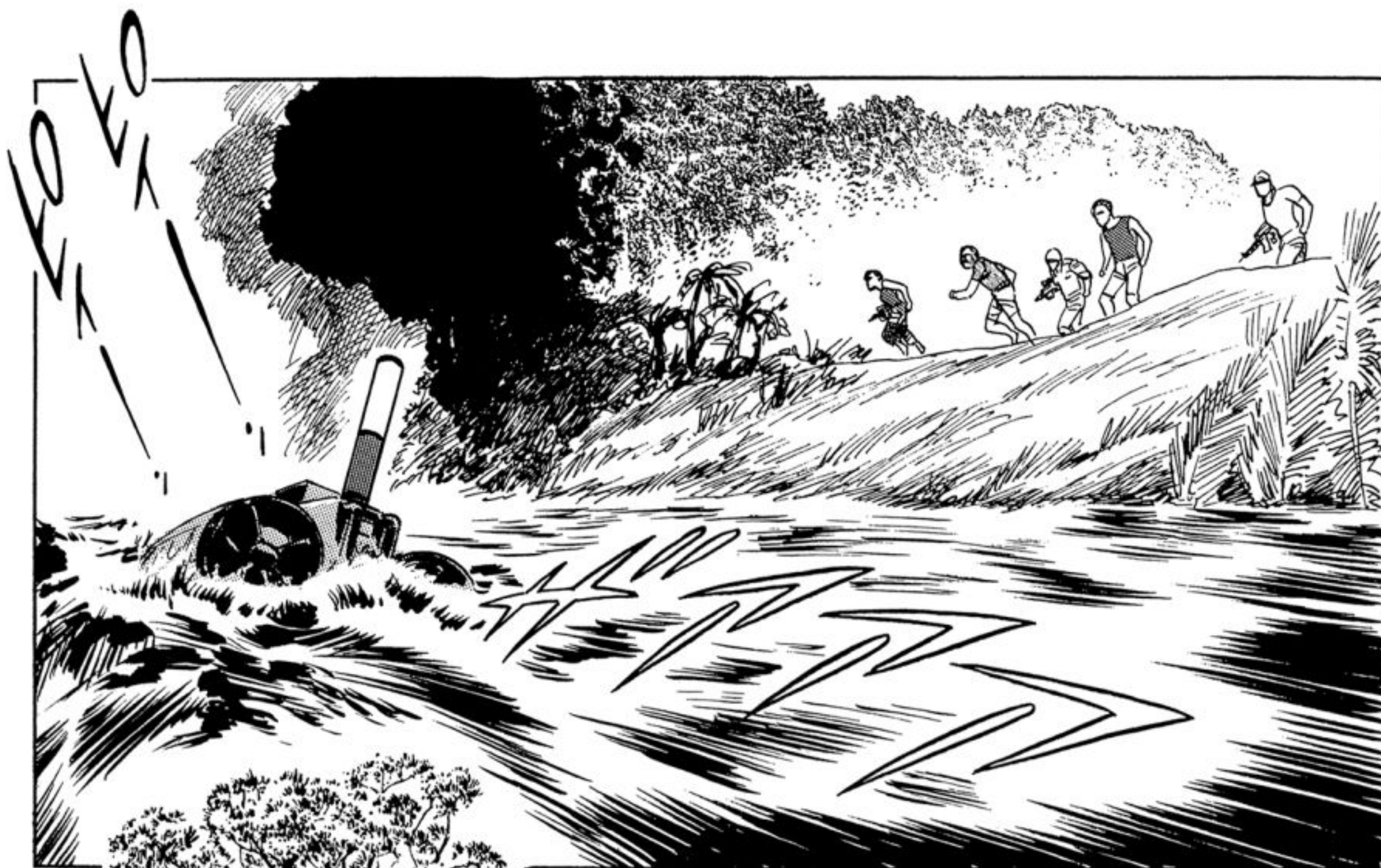




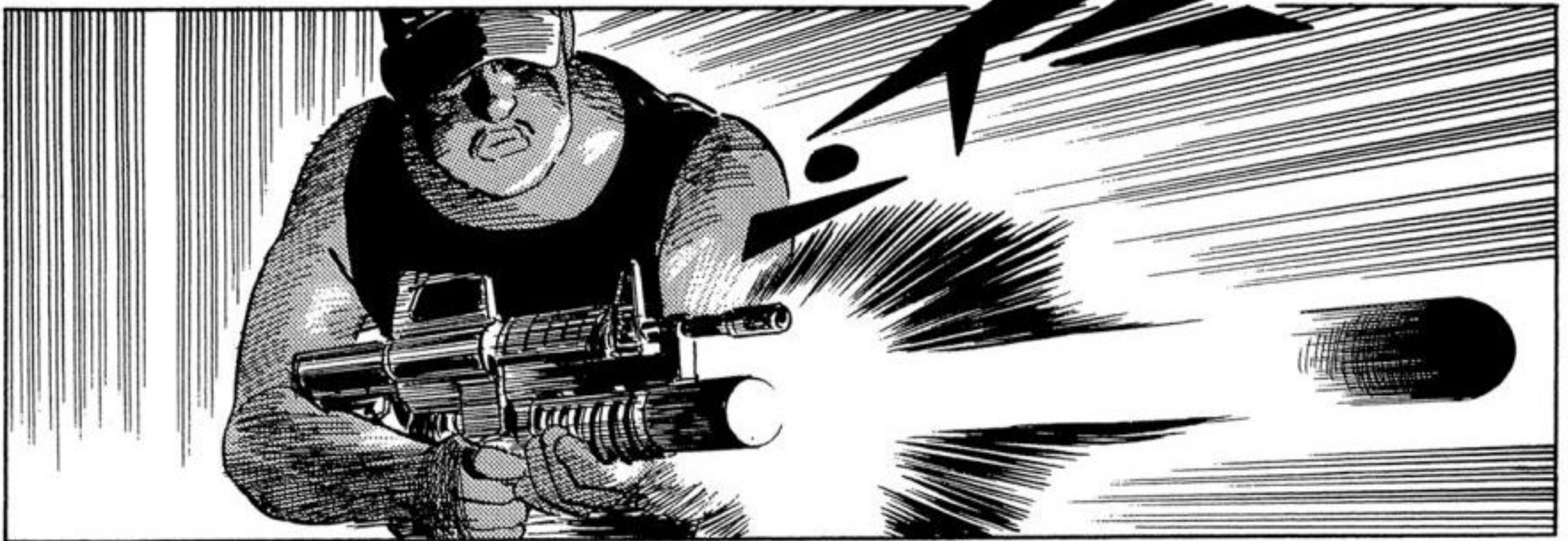




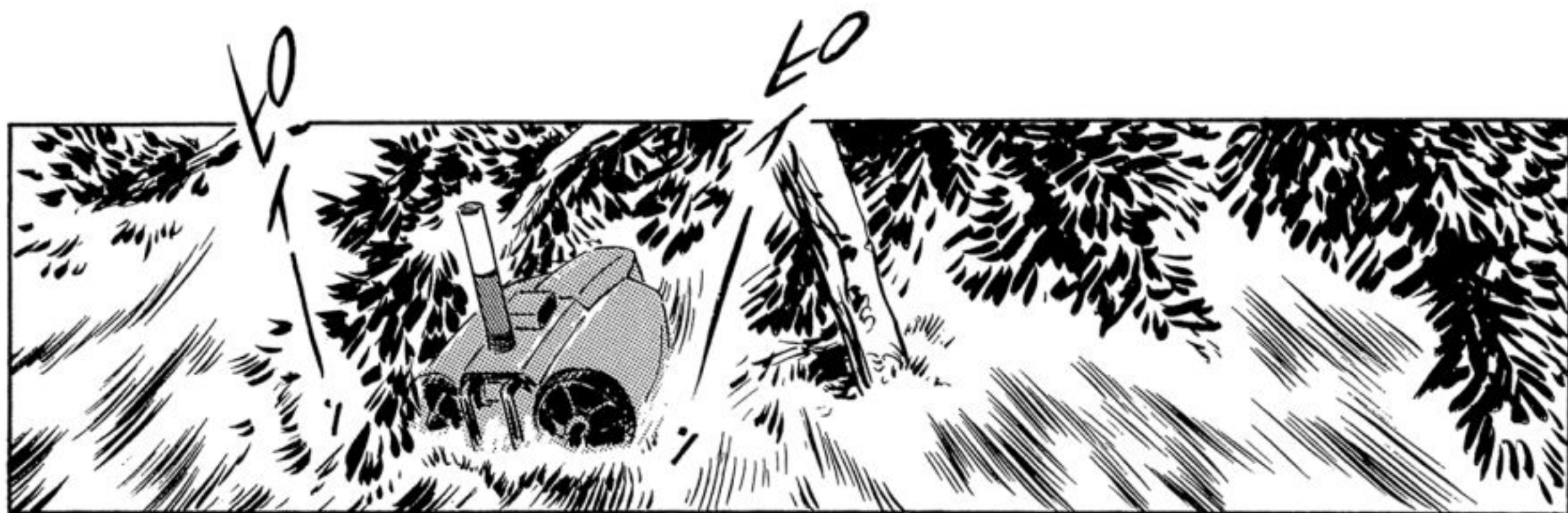


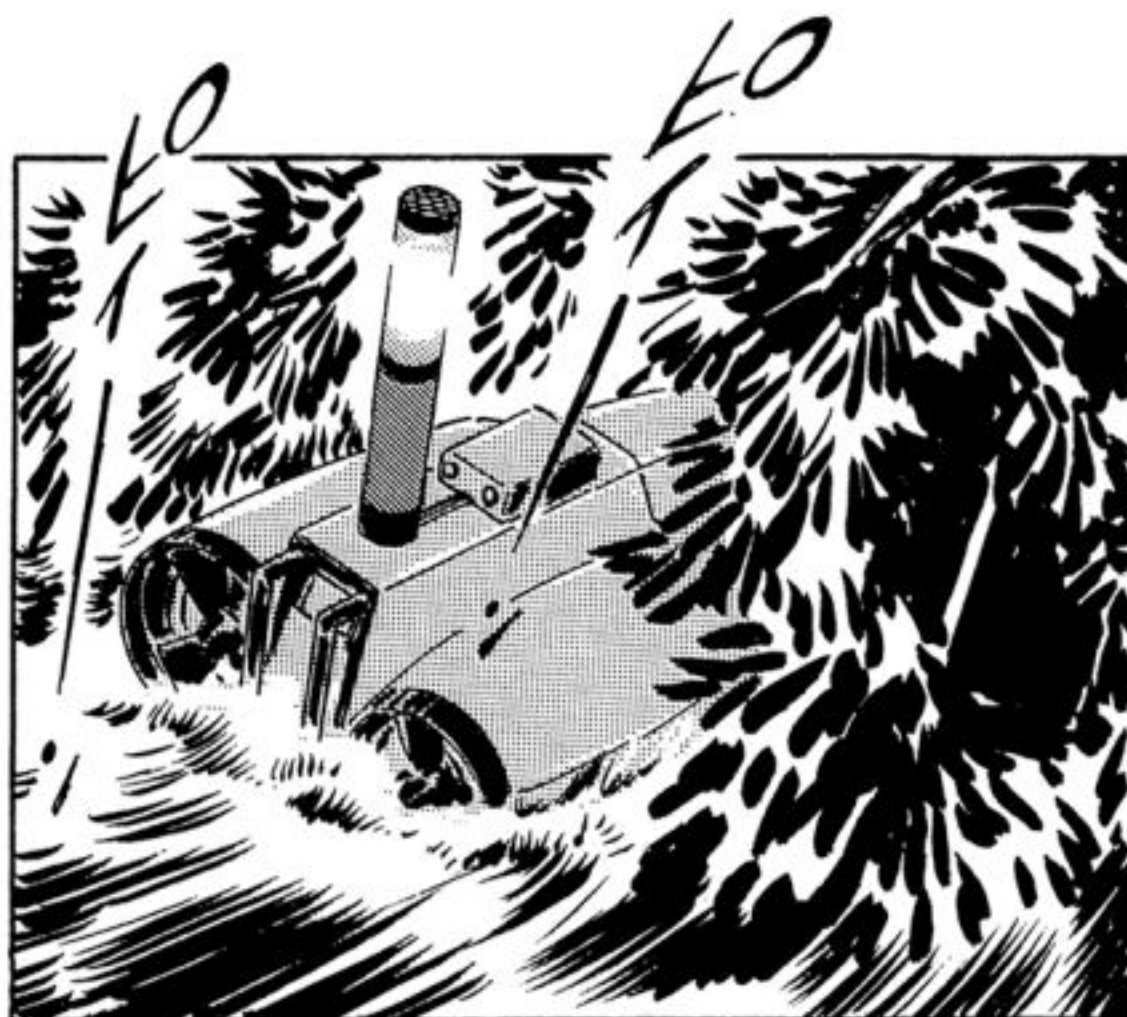


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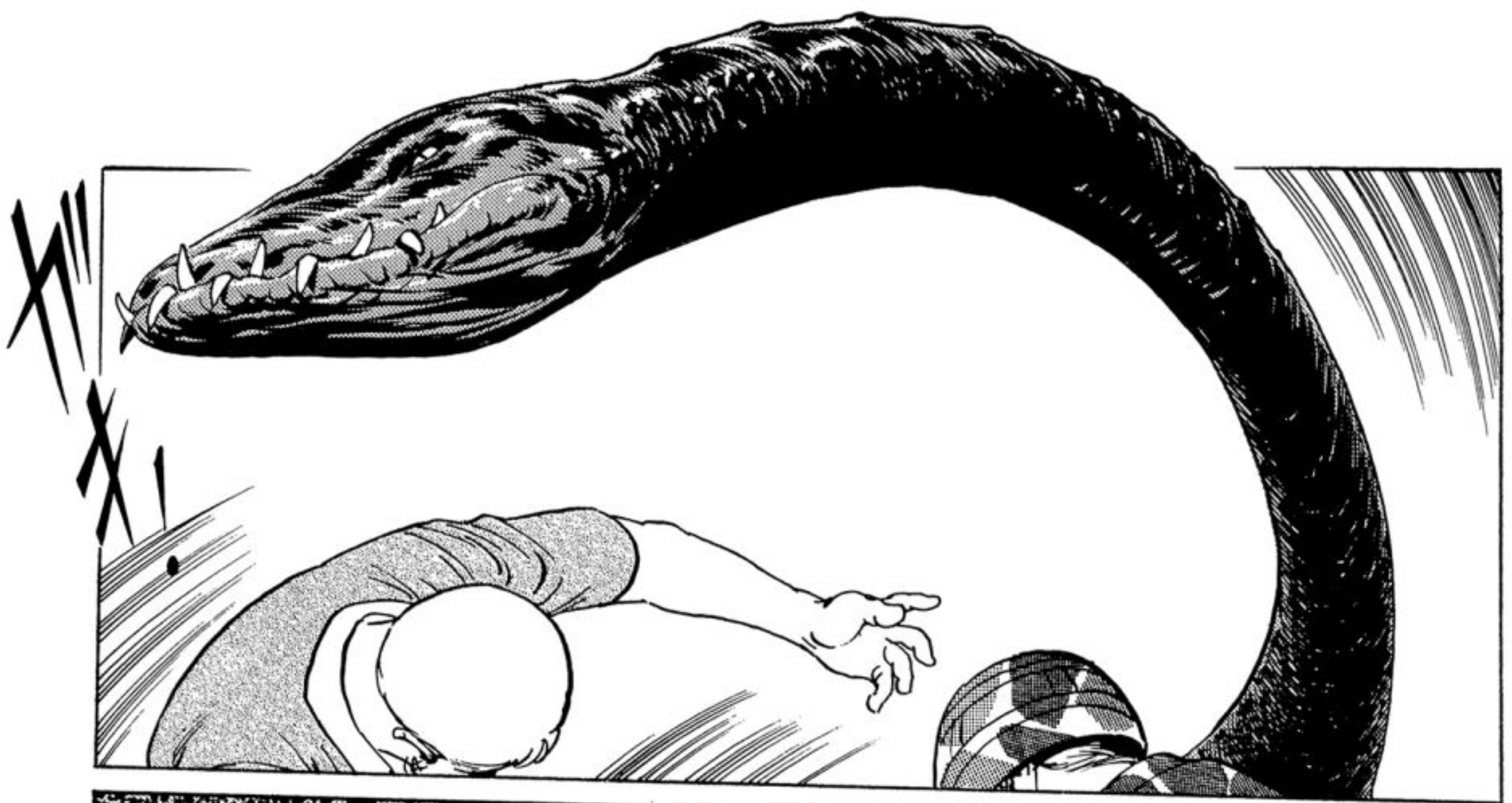


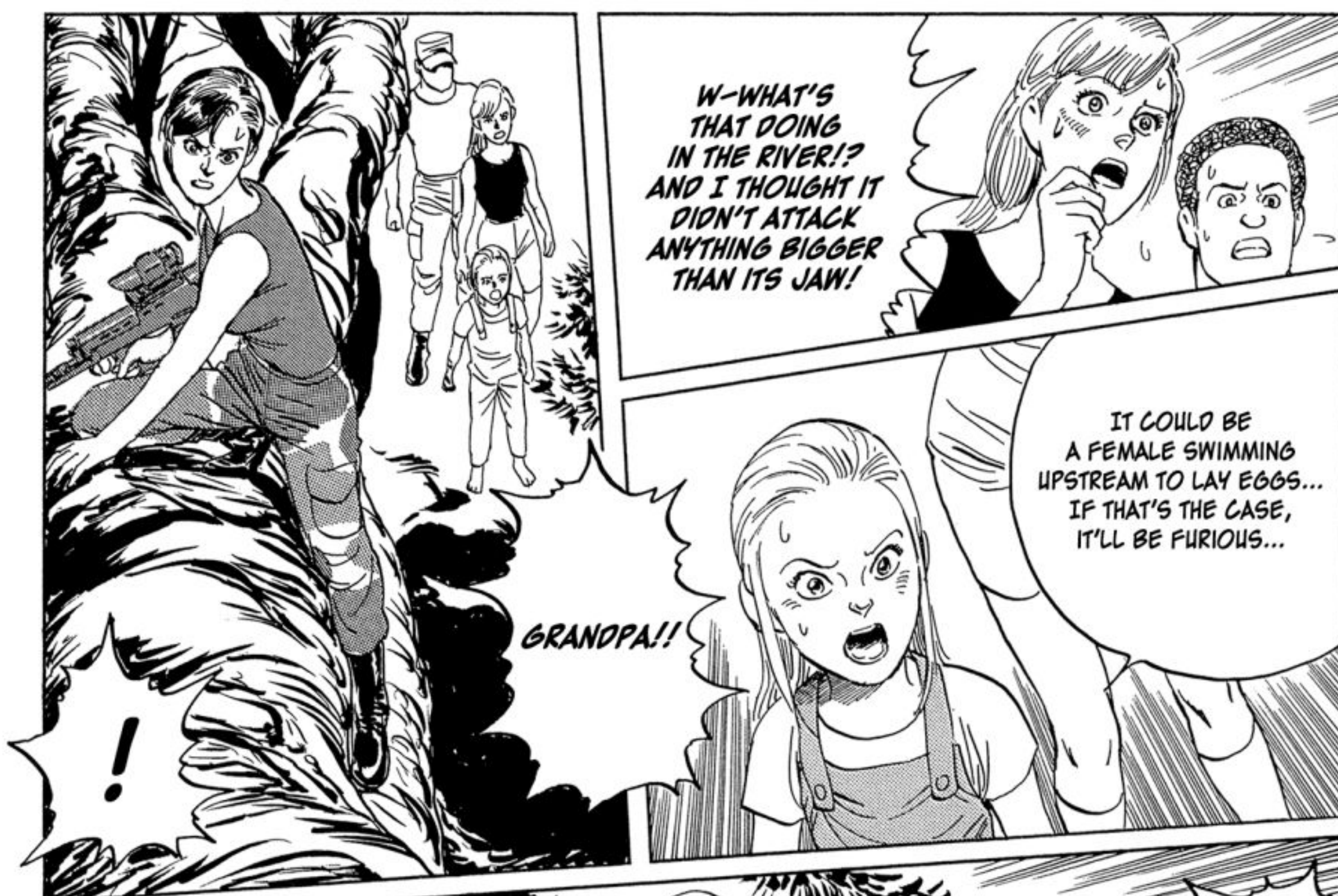










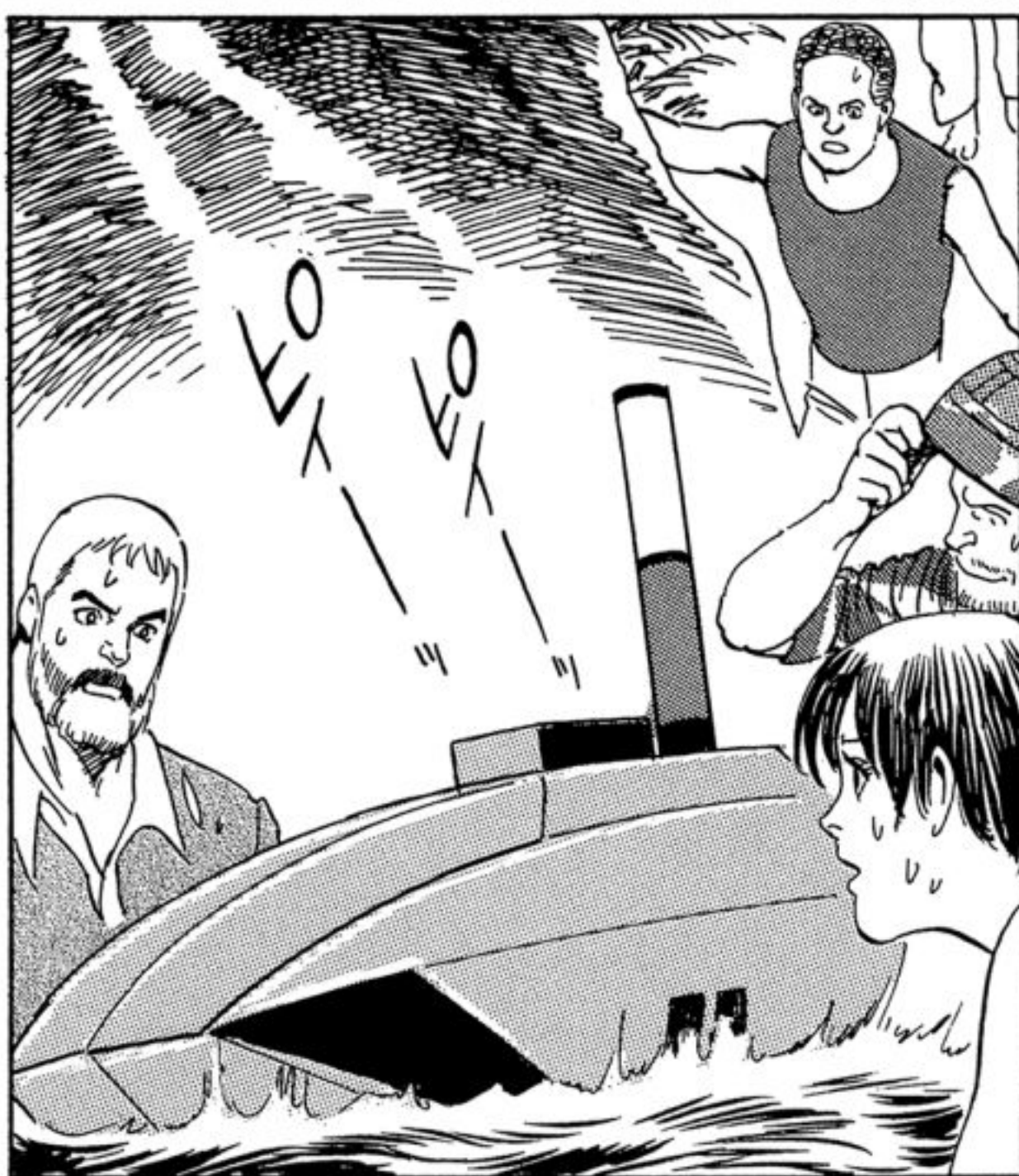


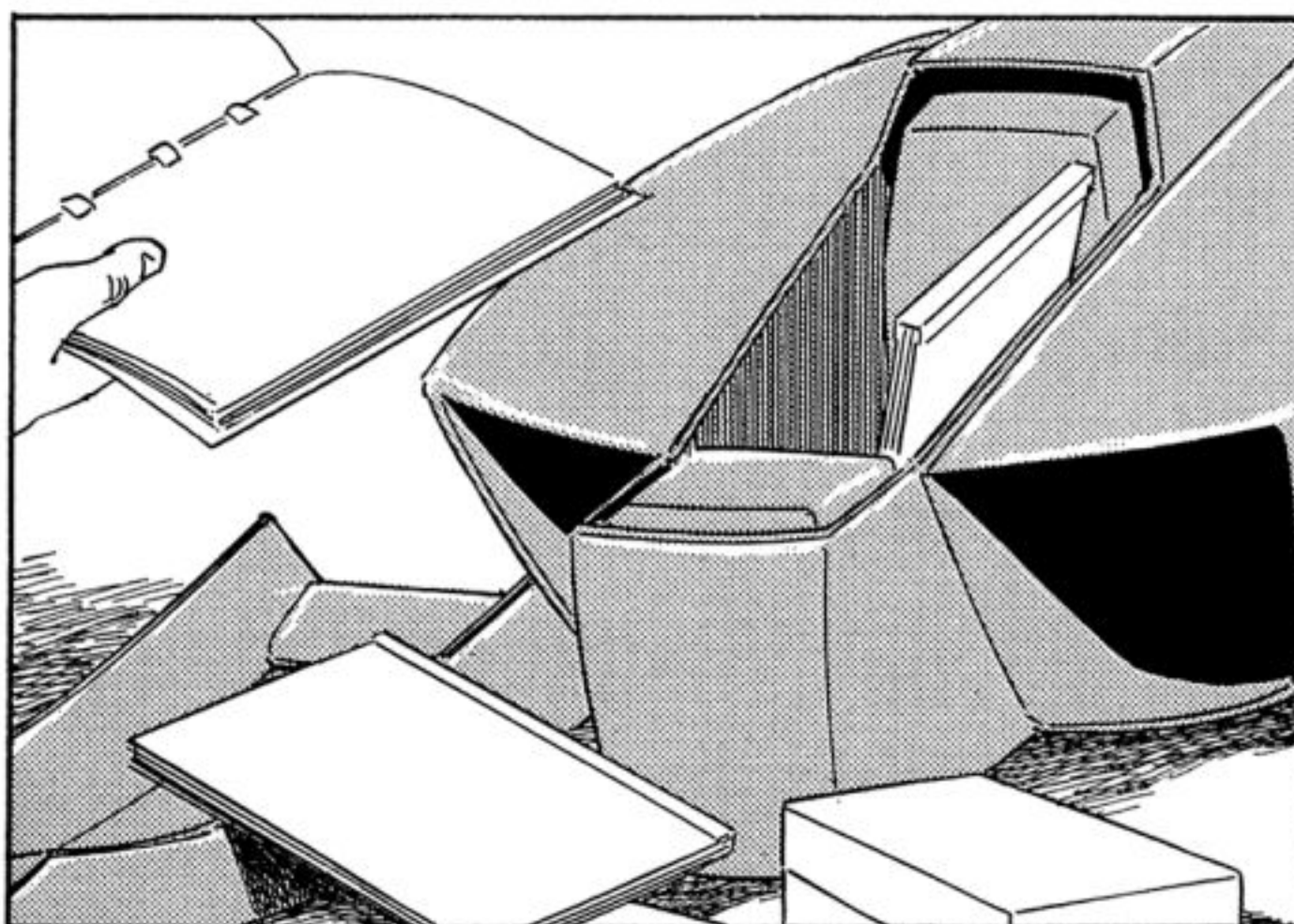
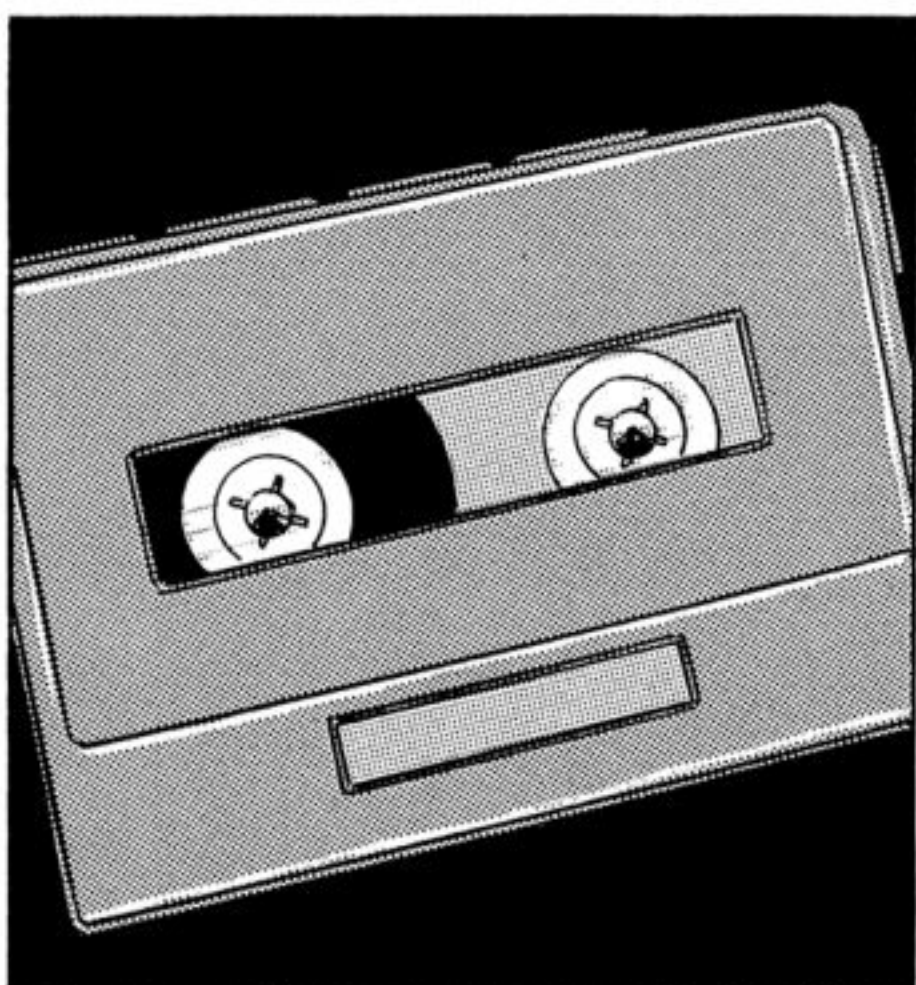
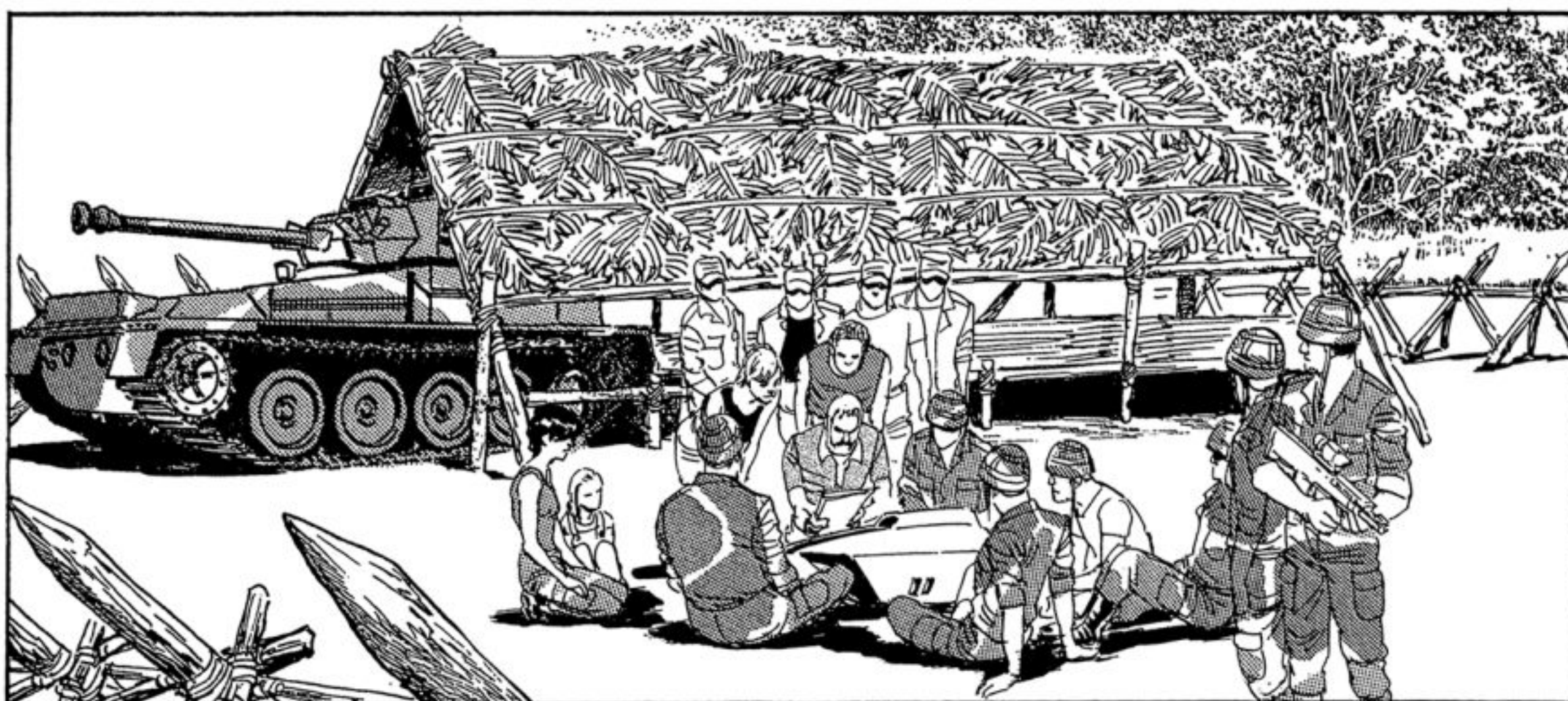












FIRST, I HAVE
TO TELL YOU THE
BAD NEWS.

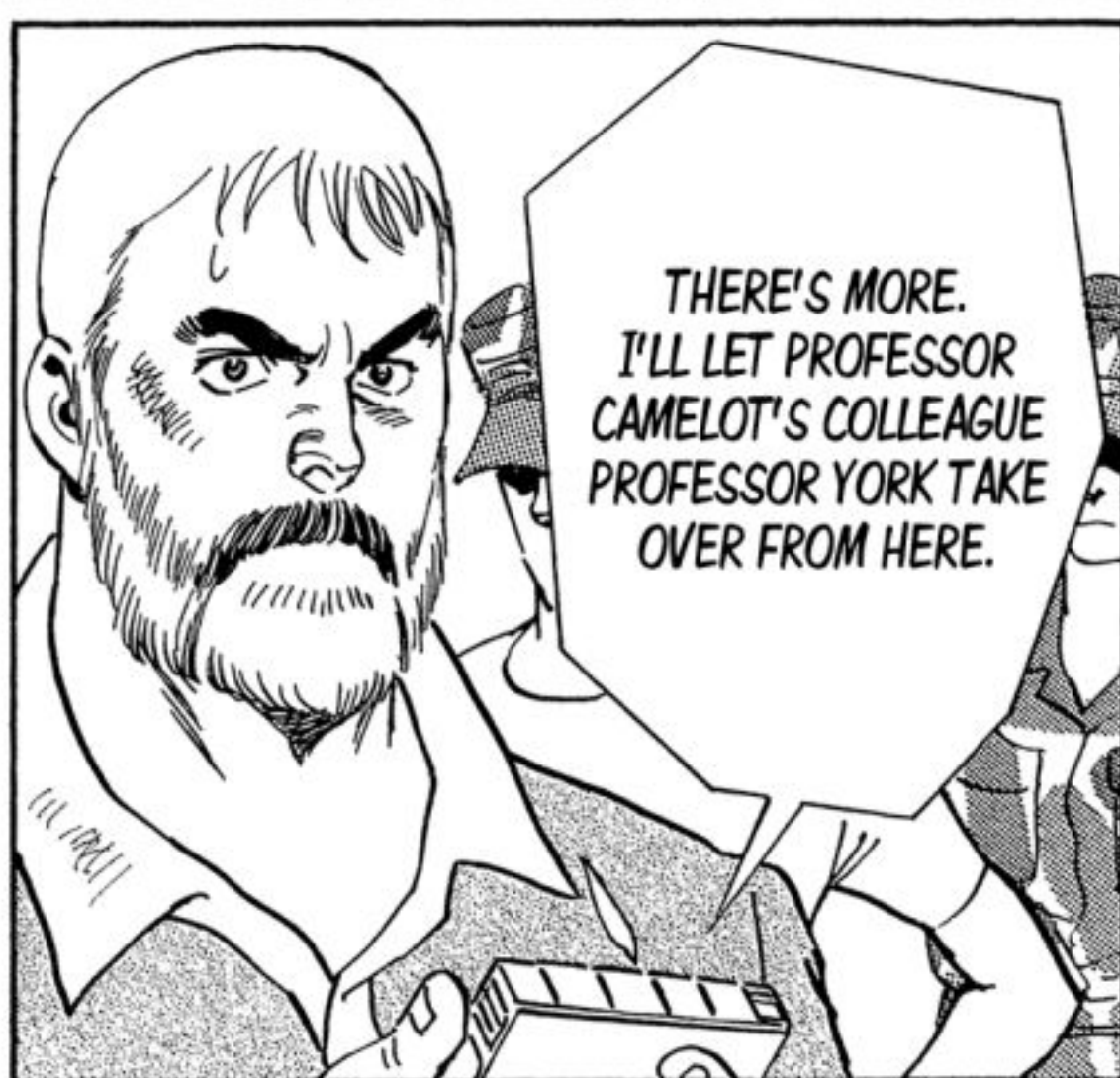
I'D LIKE TO SPEAK WITH
YOU FACE TO FACE, BUT
WE CAN'T RUN THE CABLE
THROUGH THE BLUE HOLE
WITH HOW UNSTABLE IT IS,
SO THIS WILL BE A ONE-WAY
COMMUNICATION. I CAN ONLY
PRAY THAT THIS PROBE
REACHES YOU.

THIS IS
LIEUTENANT-
GENERAL
MOYNAHAN
FROM THE
MODERN WORLD
HEADQUARTERS.

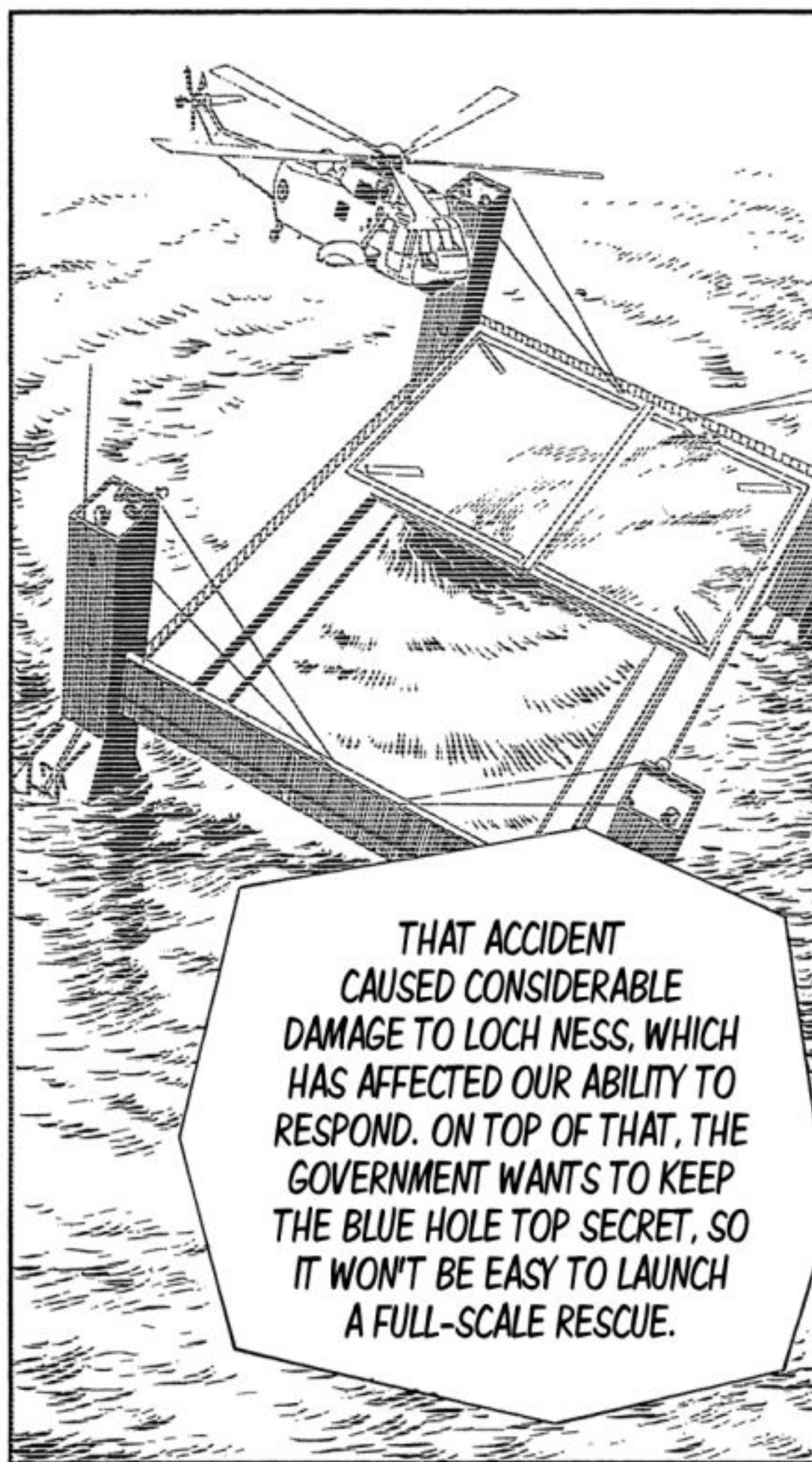


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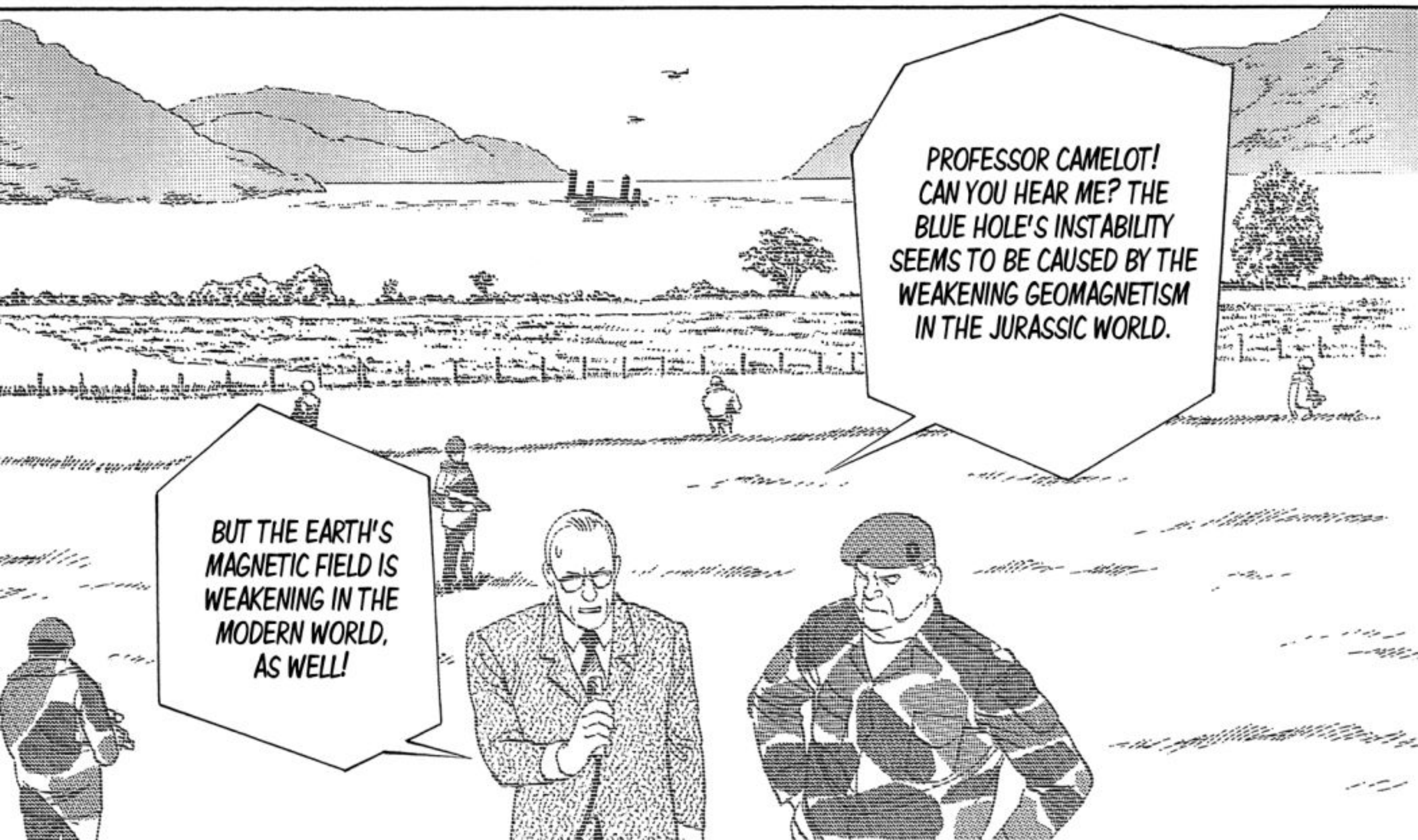
W-WHAT
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?
THEN
WHAT'S
GONNA
HAPPEN
TO US!?



THERE'S MORE.
I'LL LET PROFESSOR
CAMELOT'S COLLEAGUE
PROFESSOR YORK TAKE
OVER FROM HERE.



THAT ACCIDENT
CAUSED CONSIDERABLE
DAMAGE TO LOCH NESS, WHICH
HAS AFFECTED OUR ABILITY TO
RESPOND. ON TOP OF THAT, THE
GOVERNMENT WANTS TO KEEP
THE BLUE HOLE TOP SECRET, SO
IT WON'T BE EASY TO LAUNCH
A FULL-SCALE RESCUE.



PROFESSOR CAMELOT!
CAN YOU HEAR ME? THE
BLUE HOLE'S INSTABILITY
SEEMS TO BE CAUSED BY THE
WEAKENING GEOMAGNETISM
IN THE JURASSIC WORLD.

BUT THE EARTH'S
MAGNETIC FIELD IS
WEAKENING IN THE
MODERN WORLD,
AS WELL!

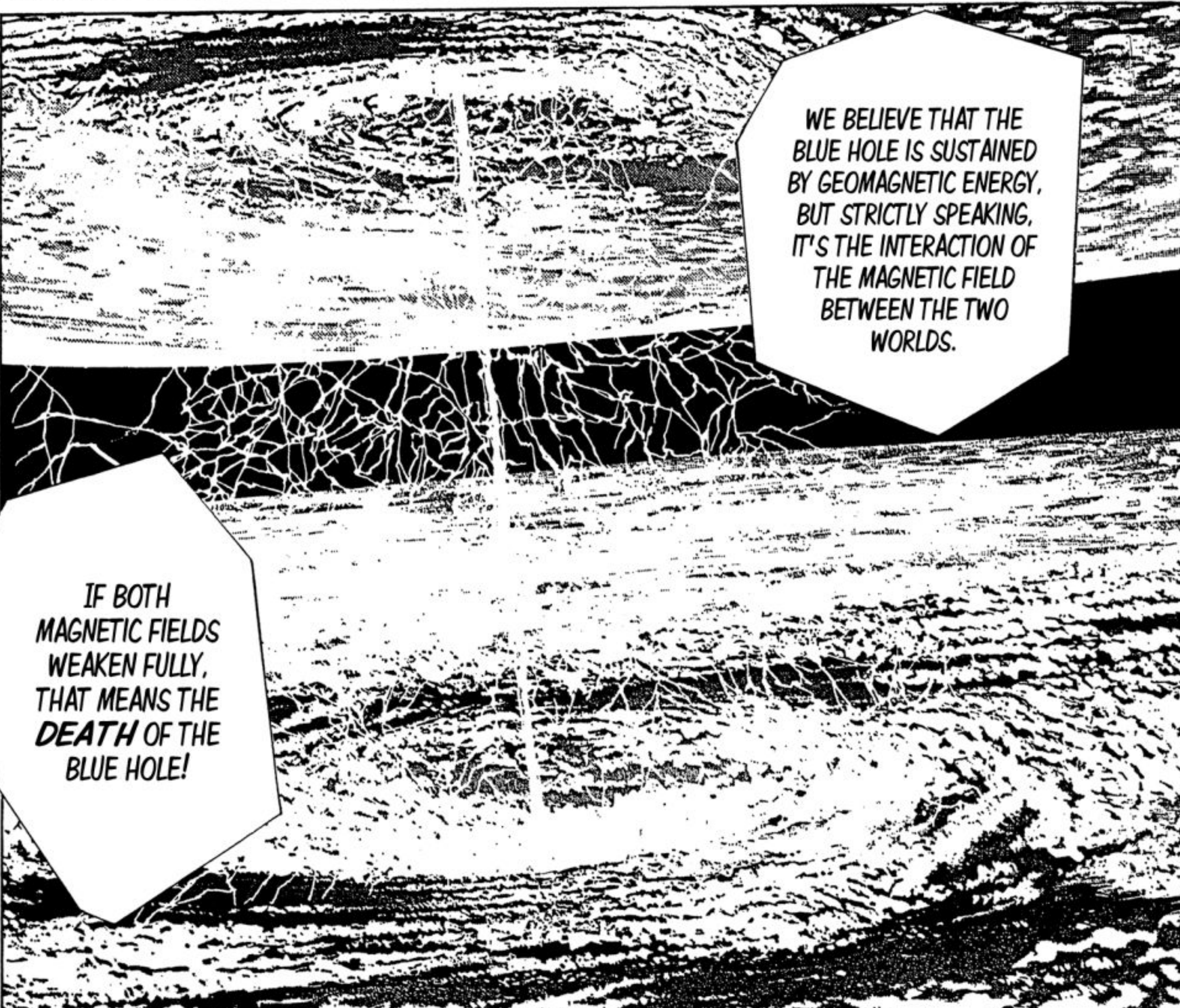


AND THERE'S A
CRITICAL PROBLEM WITH
THE JURASSIC WORLD
AND THE MODERN
WORLD LOSING THEIR
MAGNETIC FIELDS AT
THE SAME TIME...



THE EARTH'S MAGNETIC
FIELD HAS AN AVERAGE
LIFESPAN OF 700 TO
800 THOUSAND YEARS,
AND THE BRUNHES CHRON
IS GETTING CLOSE TO THAT.
IT'S BOUND TO CONTINUE
WEAKENING UNTIL IT
HITS ZERO...

HE'S RIGHT.
THE MODERN
EARTH'S MAGNETIC
FIELD, KNOWN
AS THE BRUNHES
CHRON, HAS BEEN
WEAKENING FOR
THE PAST 2,000
YEARS.



WE BELIEVE THAT THE
BLUE HOLE IS SUSTAINED
BY GEOMAGNETIC ENERGY,
BUT STRICTLY SPEAKING,
IT'S THE INTERACTION OF
THE MAGNETIC FIELD
BETWEEN THE TWO
WORLDS.

IF BOTH
MAGNETIC FIELDS
WEAKEN FULLY,
THAT MEANS THE
DEATH OF THE
BLUE HOLE!



ANY CHANCES OF
HUMAN ENTRY ARE
SLIM TO NONE...!

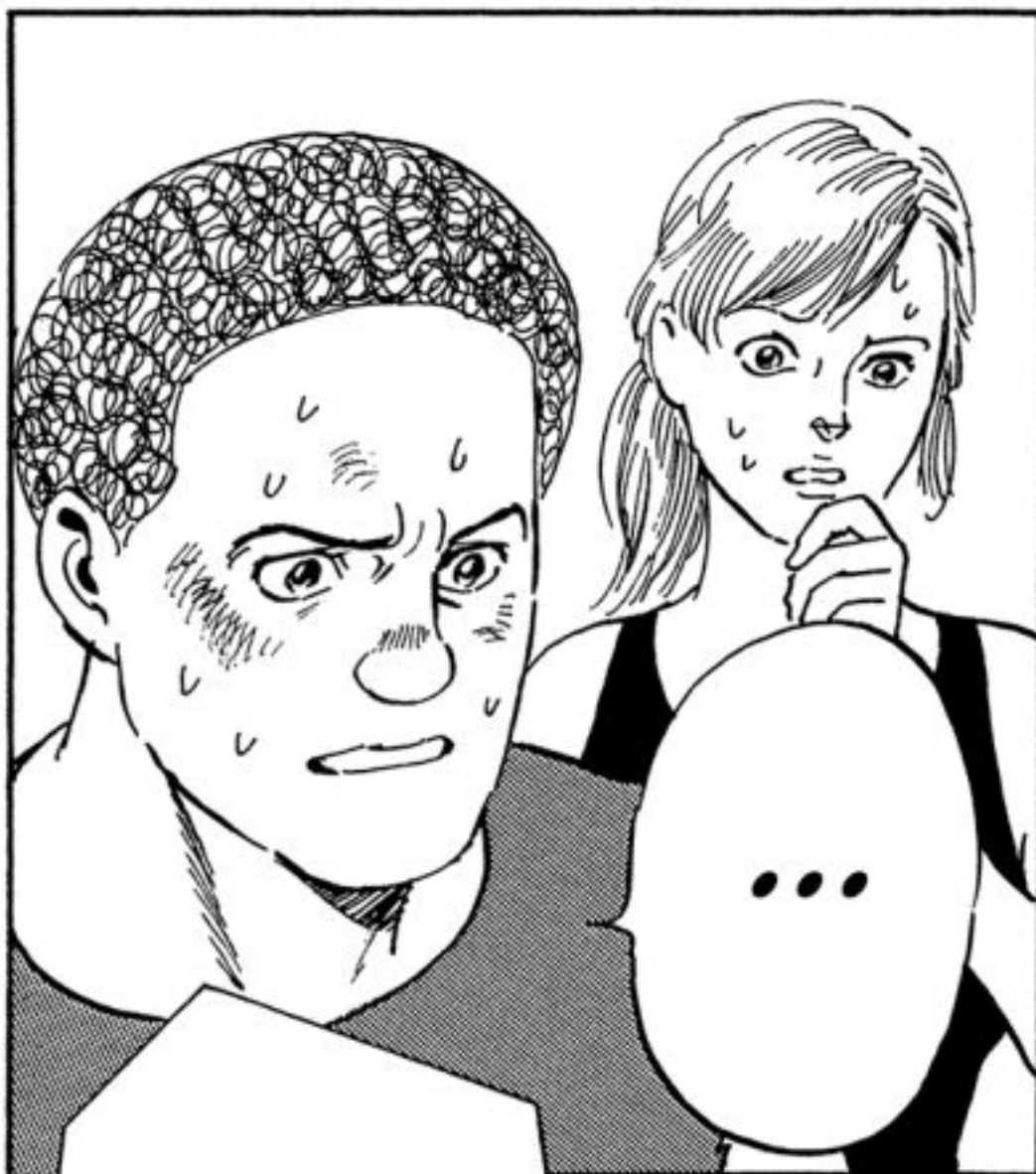
SO, ESSENTIALLY...
OUR CONCLUSION IS
THAT THIS BLUE HOLE
WILL BE MOVING
TOWARDS TOTAL
ANNIHILATION.

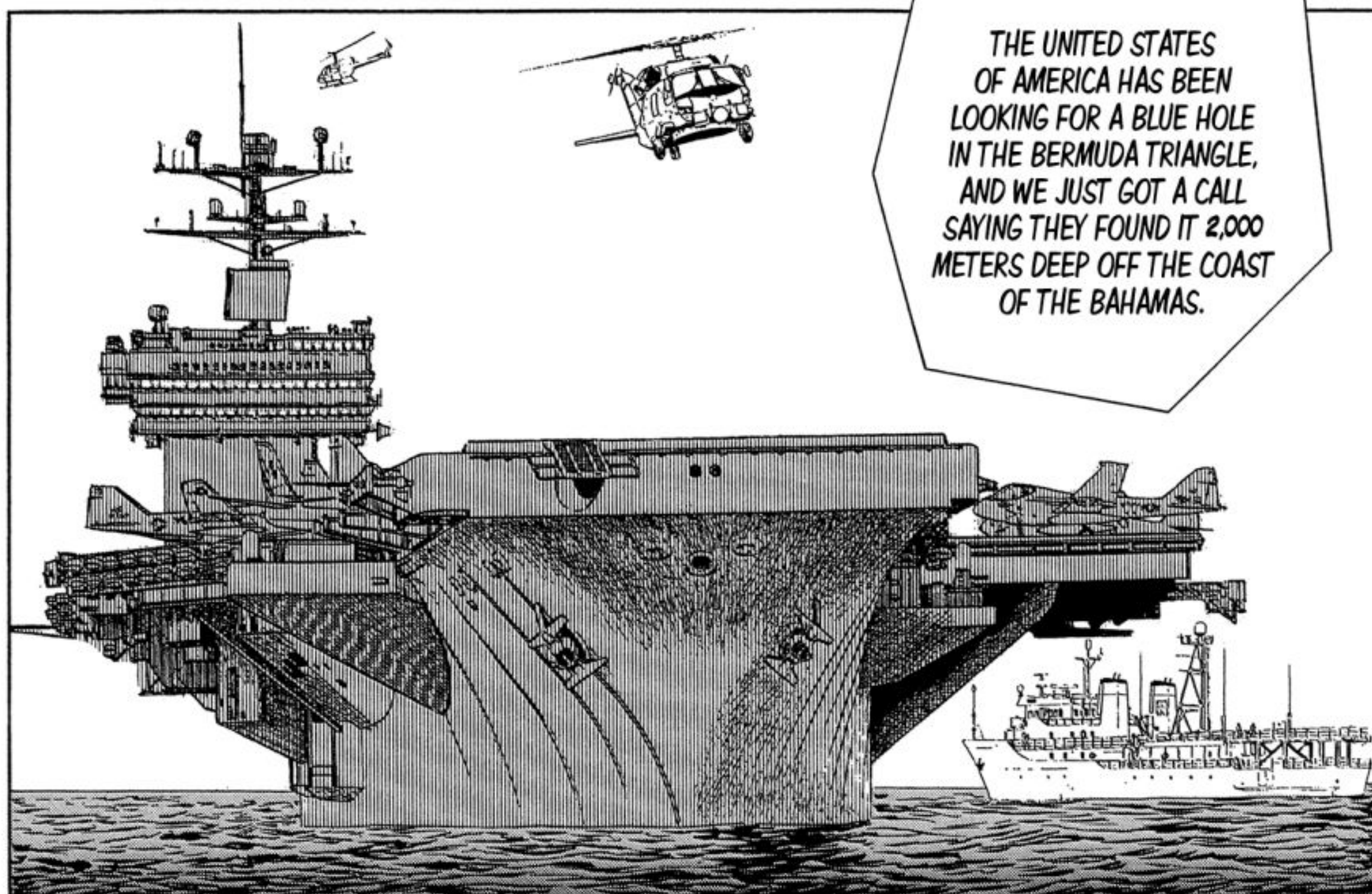


B-BUT
YOU WON'T
KNOW IF YOU
DON'T TRY!
YOU GOT
THE PROBE
THROUGH,
DIDN'T
YOU!?

JUST
SEND US A
MINI-SUB OR
SOMETHING!

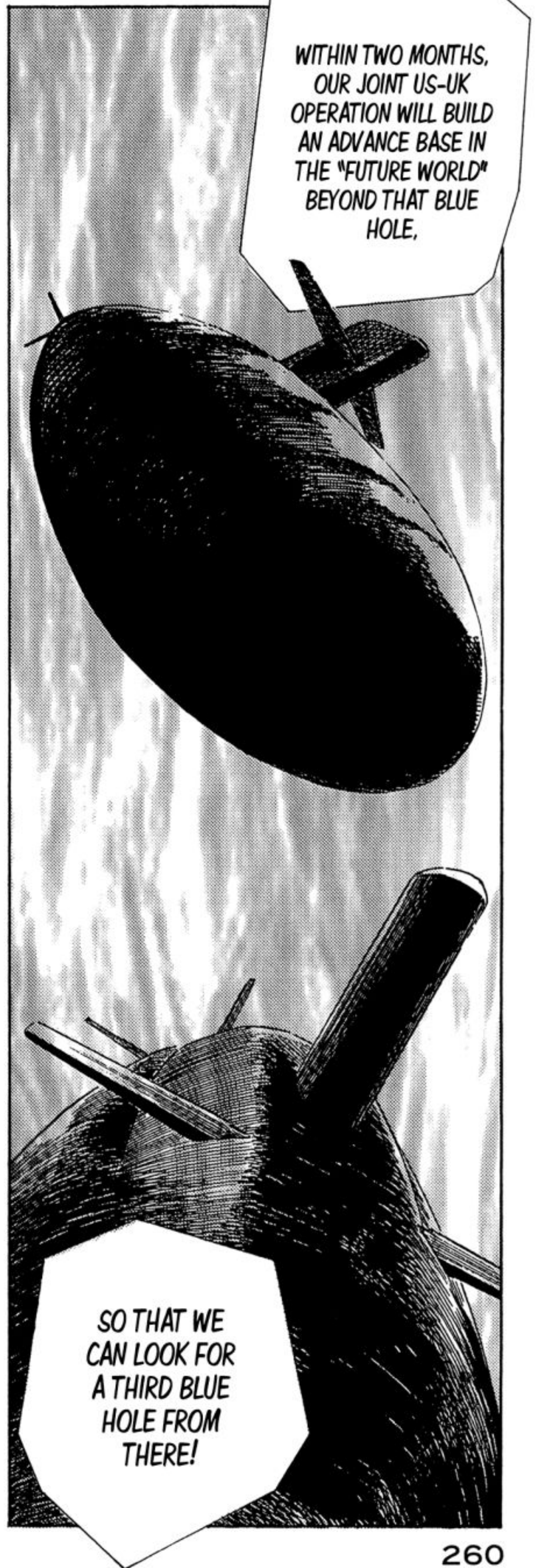
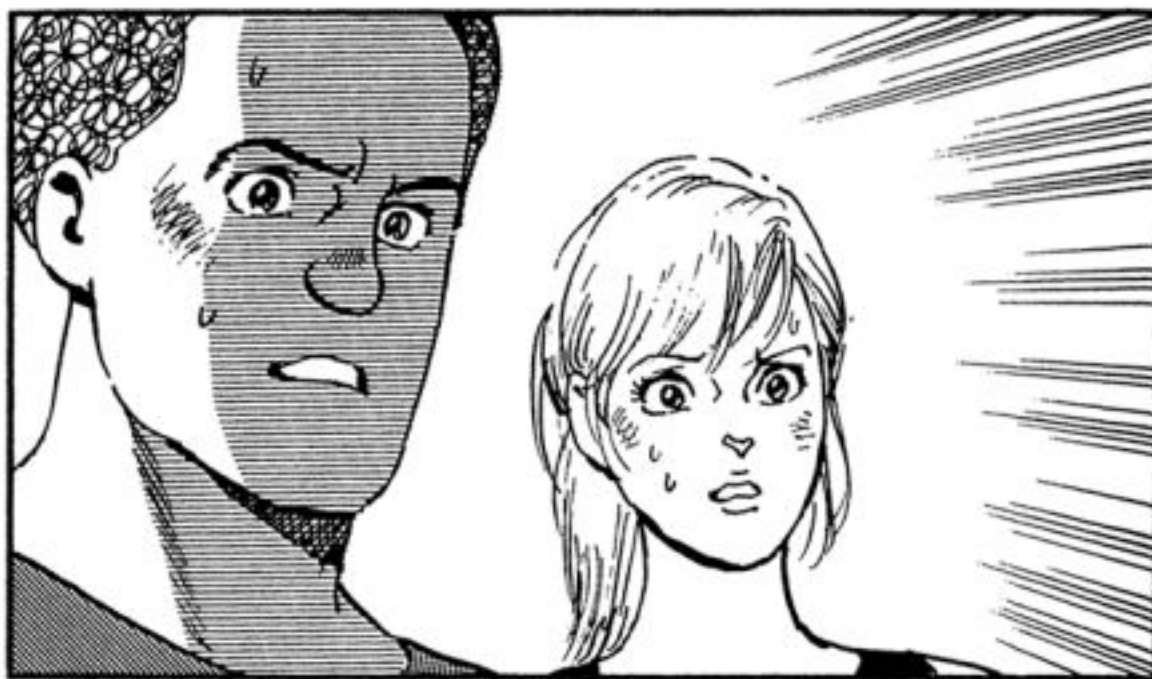


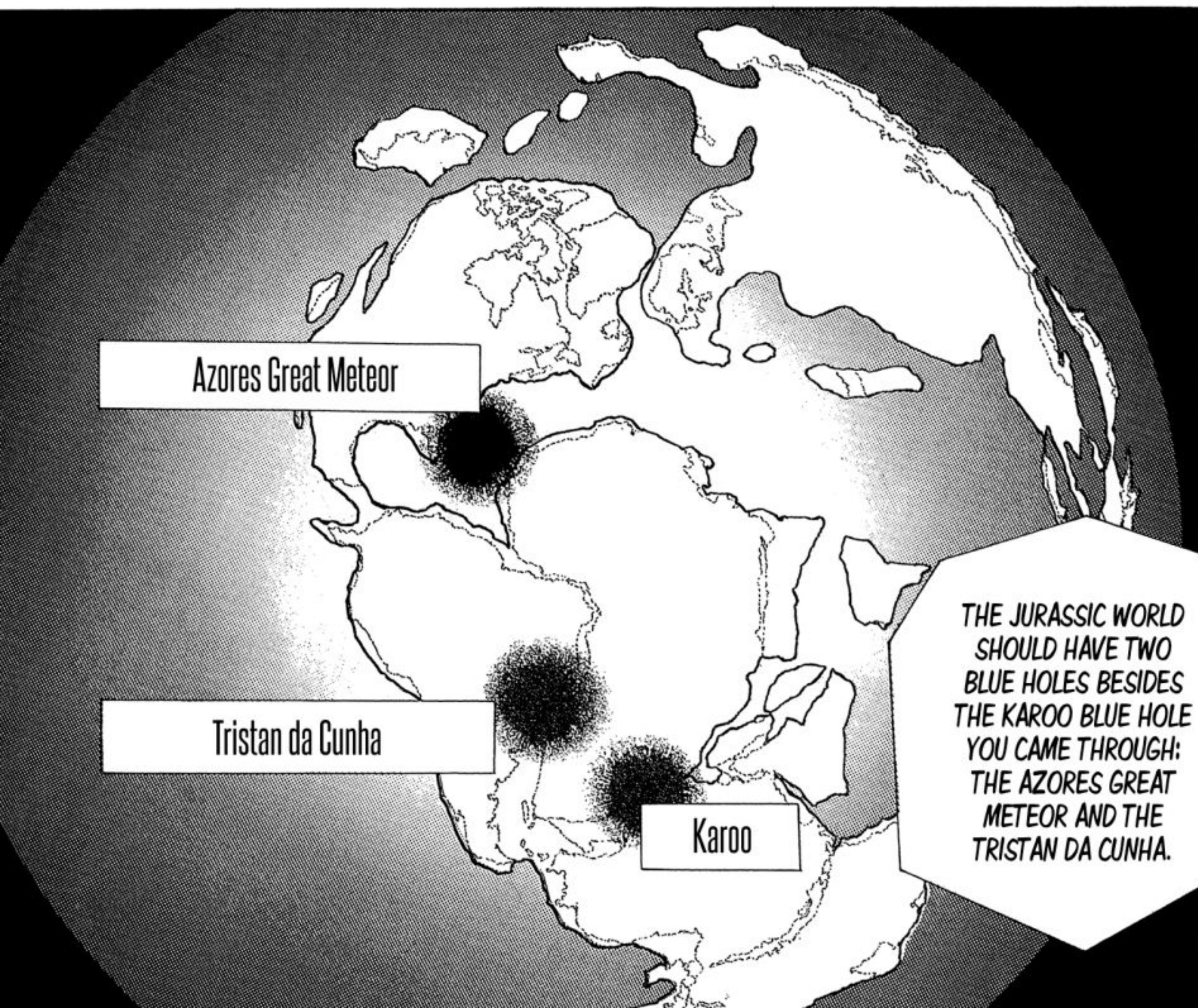




THE UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA HAS BEEN
LOOKING FOR A BLUE HOLE
IN THE BERMUDA TRIANGLE,
AND WE JUST GOT A CALL
SAYING THEY FOUND IT 2,000
METERS DEEP OFF THE COAST
OF THE BAHAMAS.

WE'RE STILL IN THE
PRELIMINARY TESTING
PHASE, AND THE CHANCES
IT LEADS TO THE JURASSIC
PERIOD ARE SLIM AT BEST,
BUT WE'RE GOING TO USE
THIS BERMUDA BLUE HOLE
AS A FOOTHOLD!

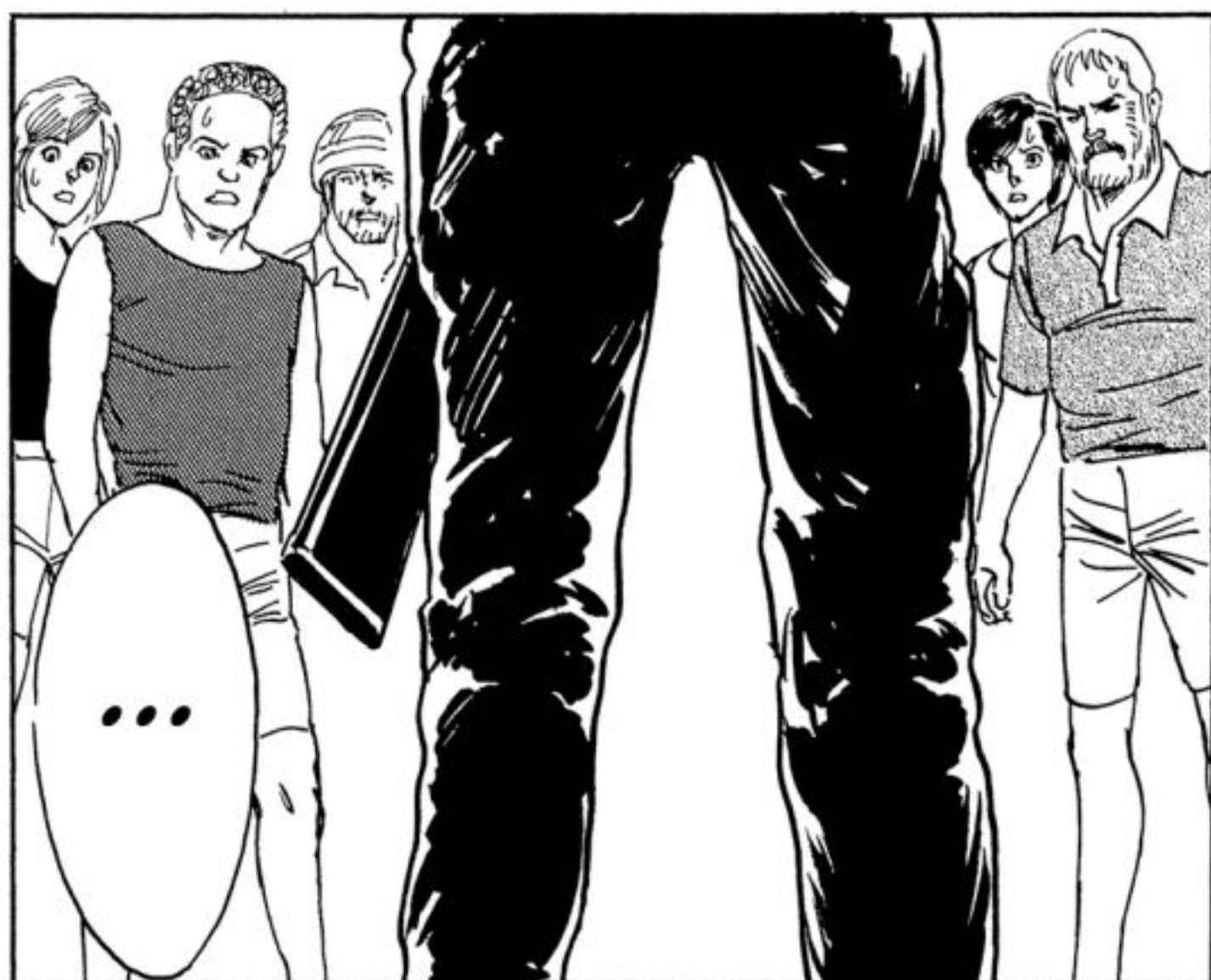
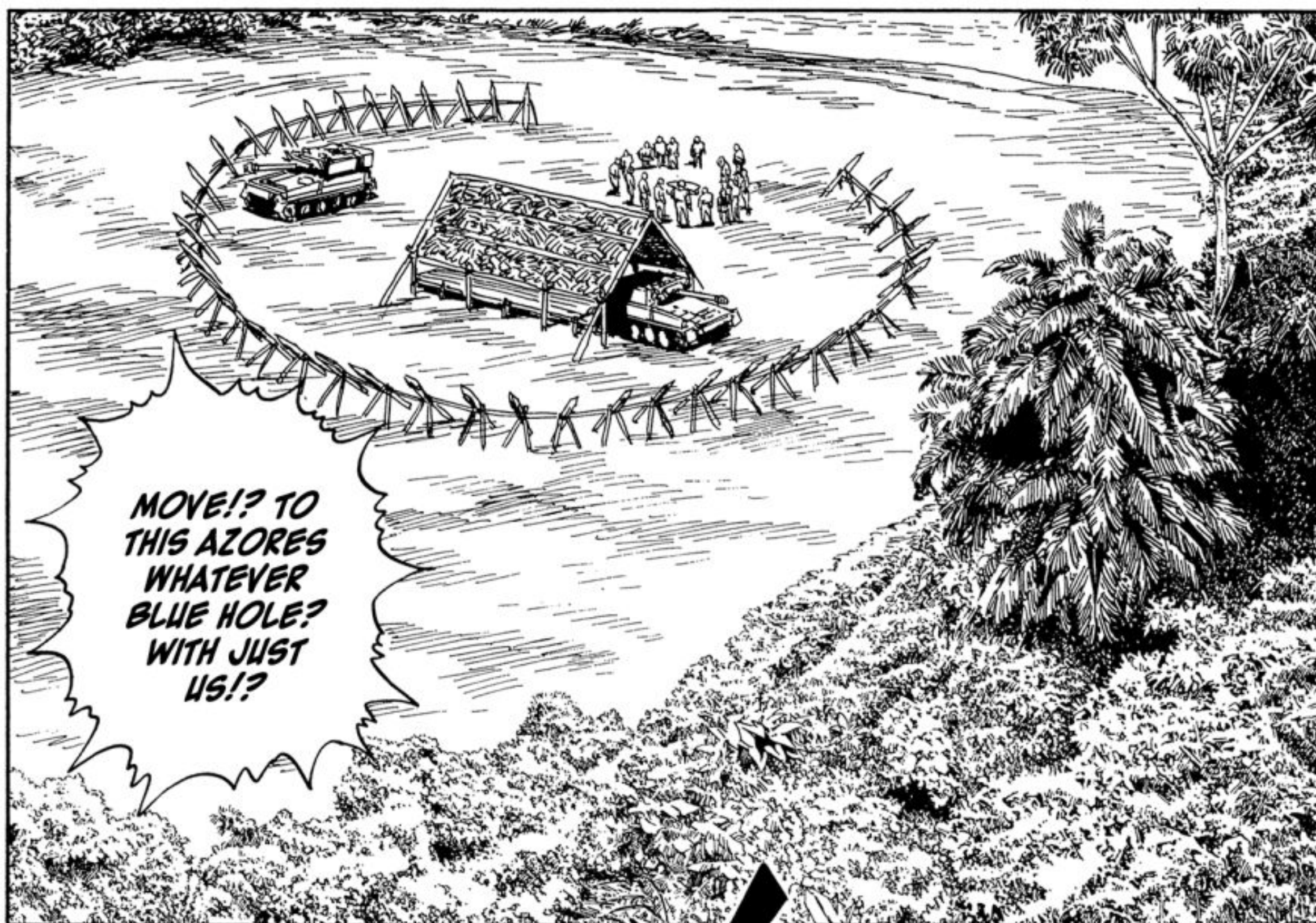


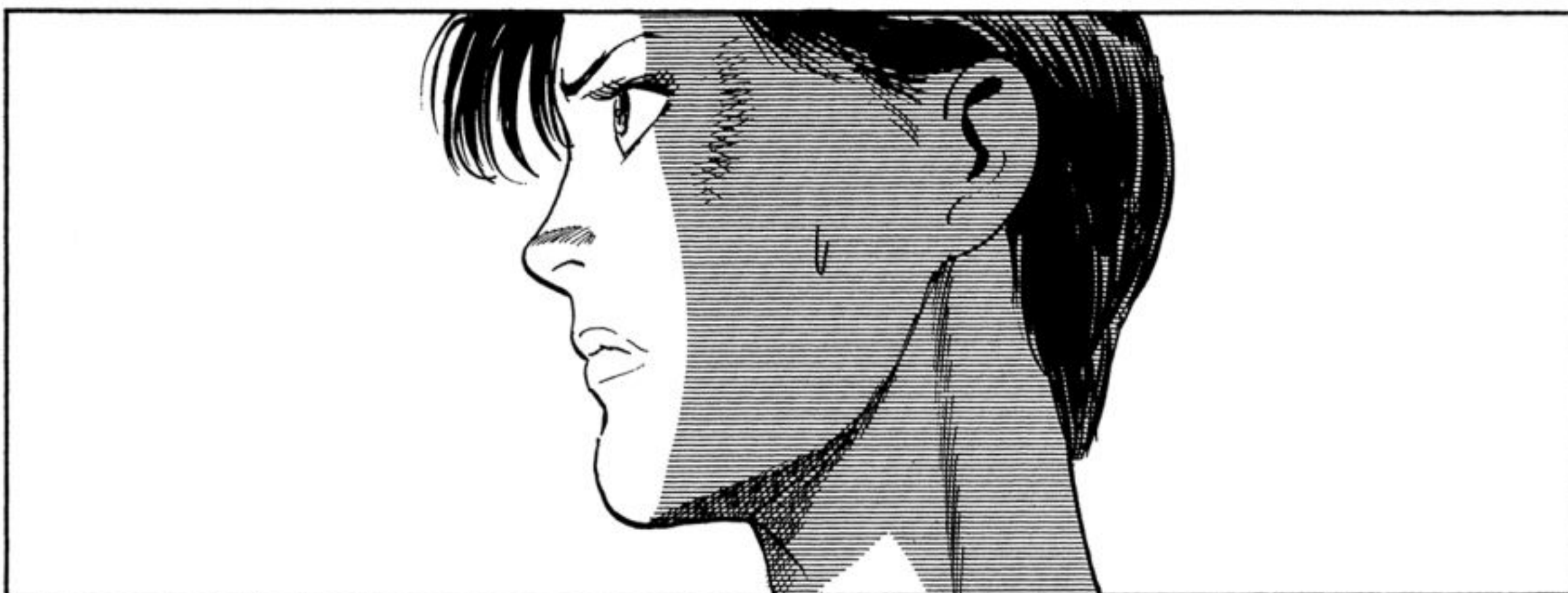
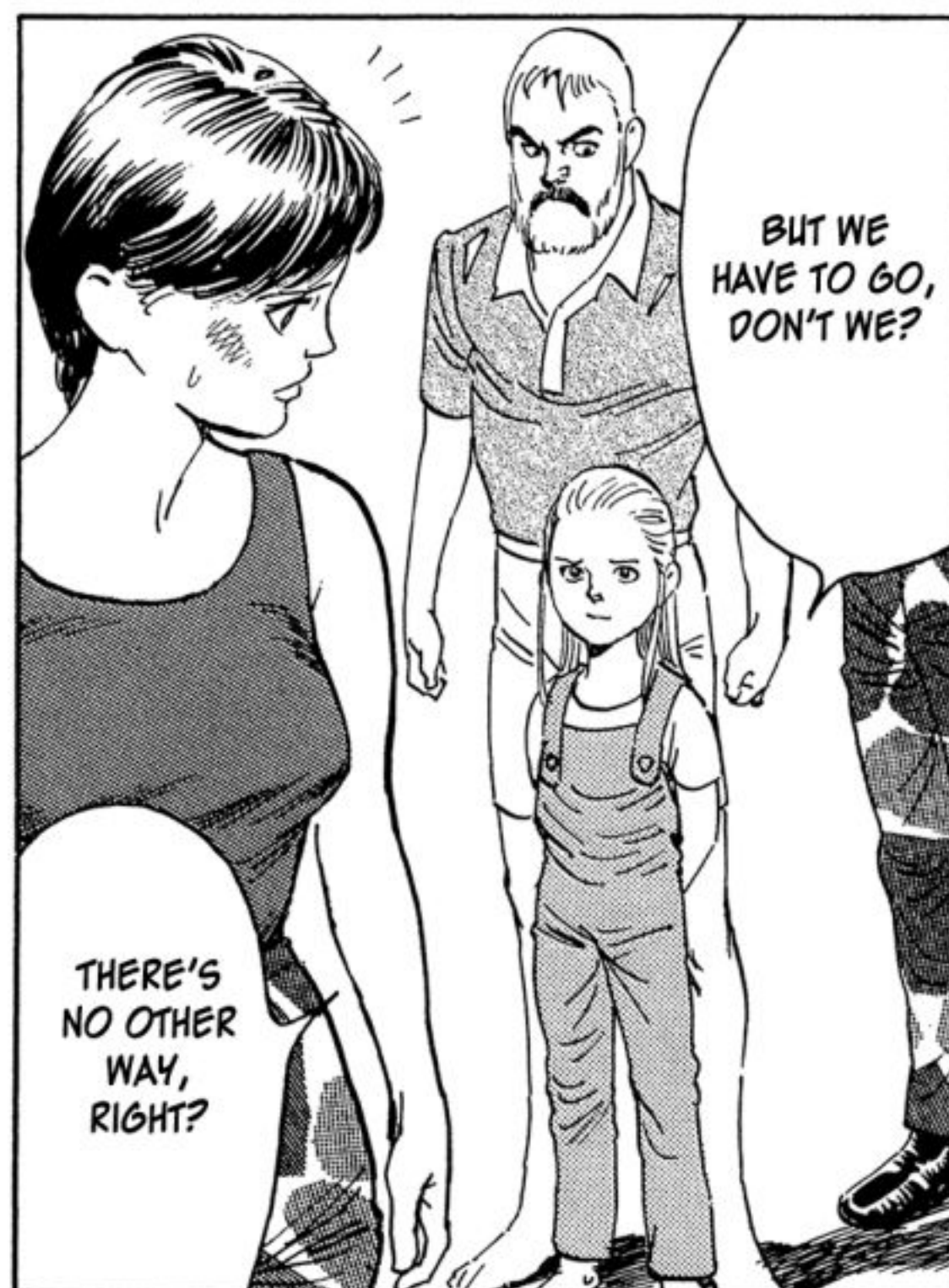
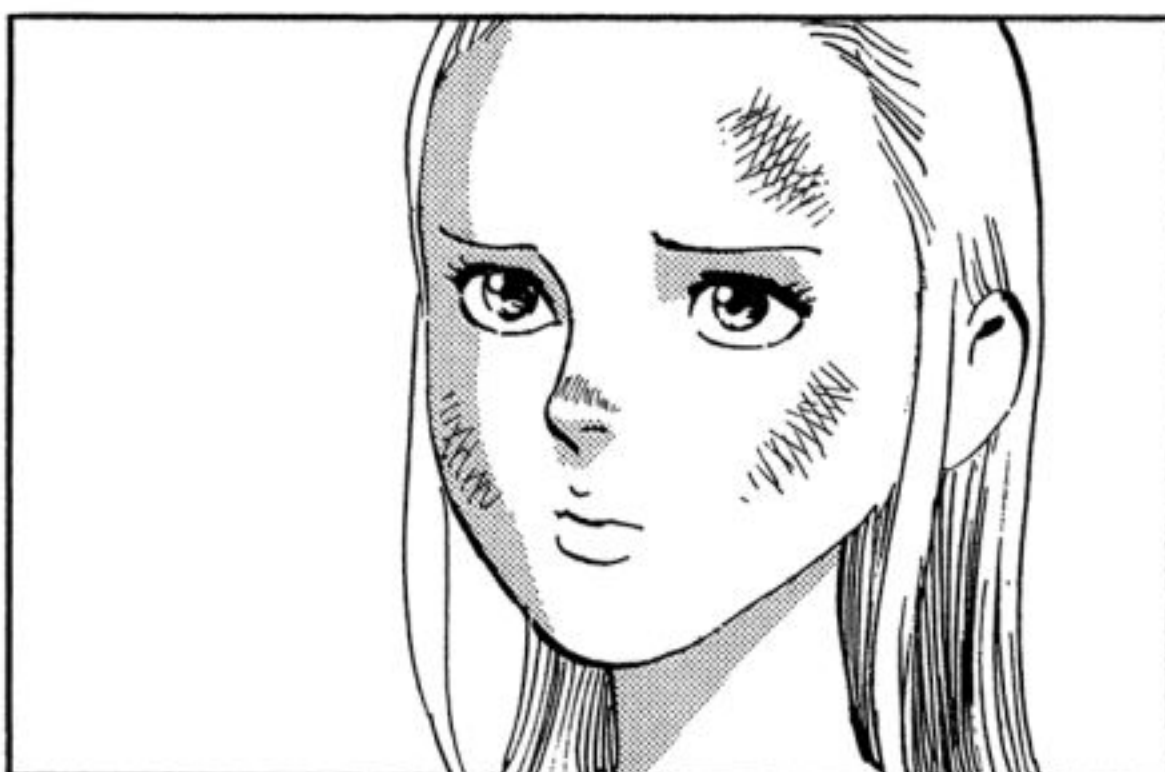


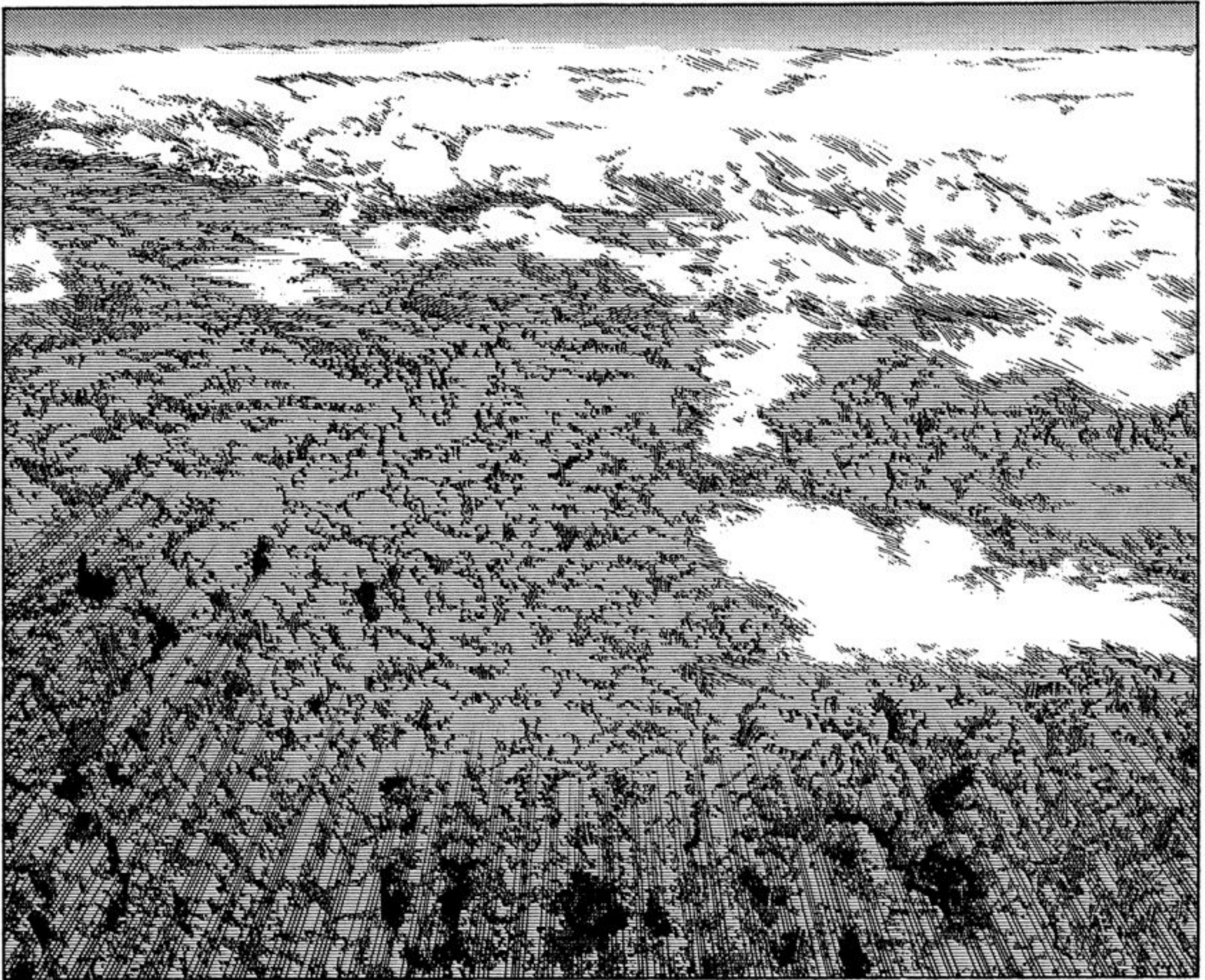
An aerial, black-and-white photograph of a coastal landscape. A winding river or stream flows from the upper center towards the lower right. The terrain is rugged and appears to be a mix of land and water, with some areas showing dense vegetation and others being more open or sandy. Two speech bubbles are overlaid on the image. The first is on the left, pointing towards the river. The second is on the right, pointing towards the upper right corner of the image.

SO WE NEED
YOU TO MOVE
TO THOSE POINTS
AND STAND BY...!

WE'LL DO
EVERYTHING
WE CAN TO SEND
A SUBMERSIBLE
THROUGH ONE OF
THOSE BLUE
HOLES...



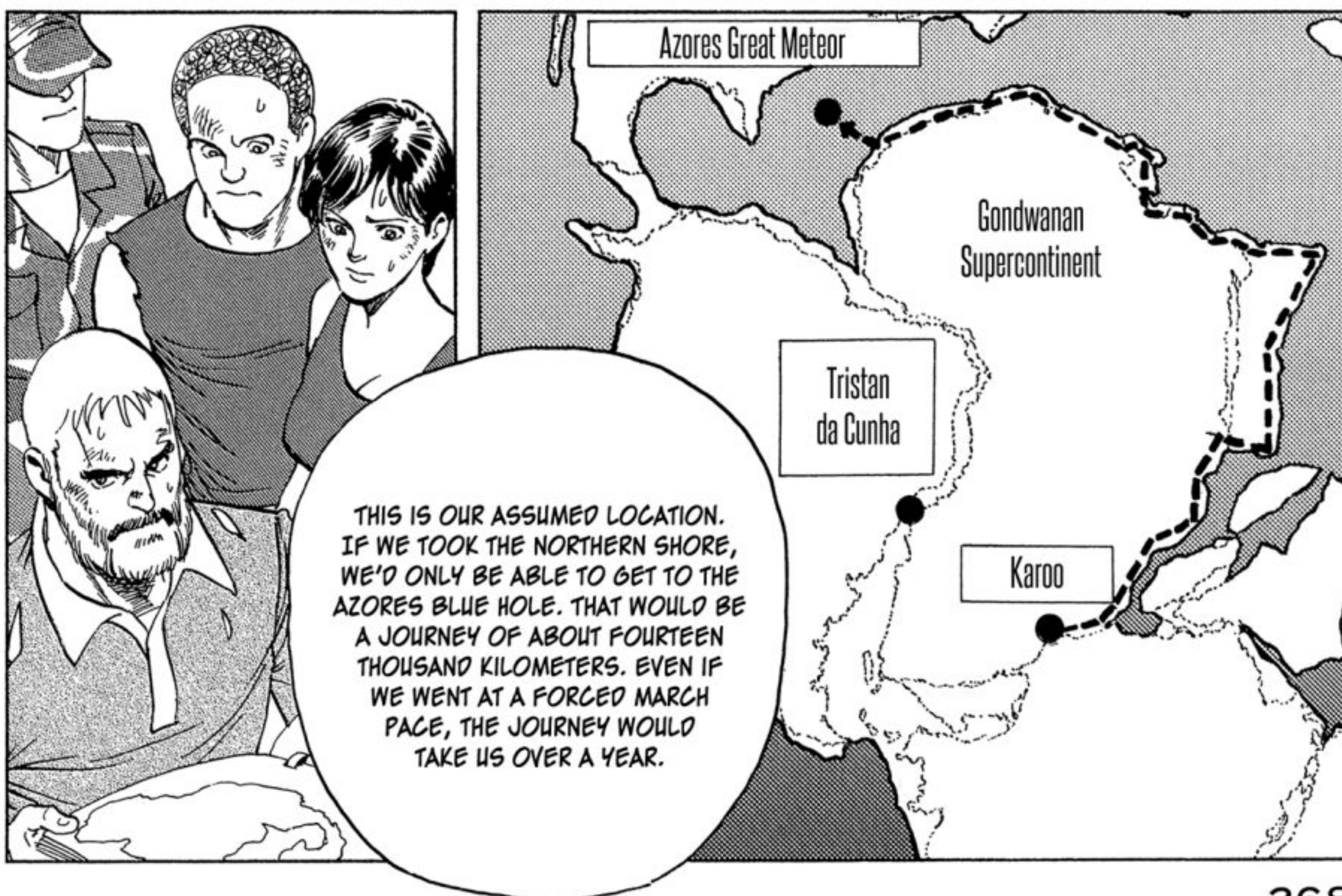




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The Resolution





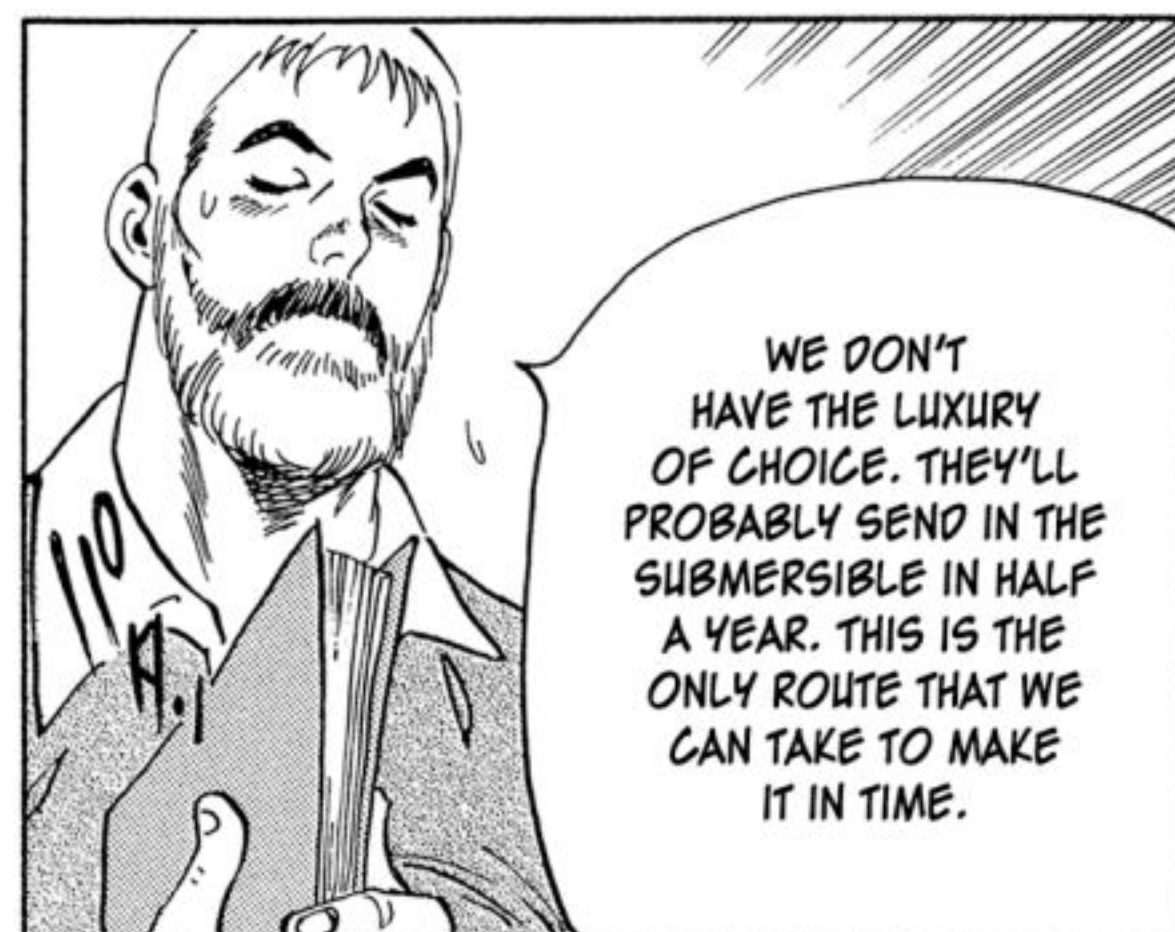
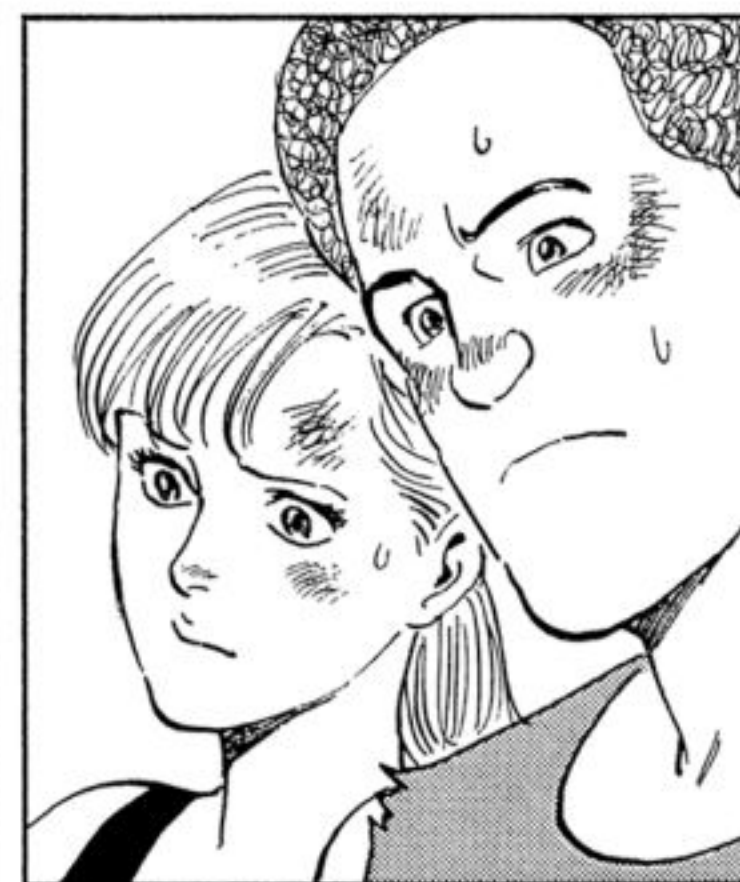


SO WHY DON'T
WE HEAD FOR
THE TRISTAN
BLUE HOLE
INSTEAD?

WE'D HAVE TO CROSS THE
JUNGLES OF THE GONDWANAN
SUPERCONTINENT TO THE WEST
AND HEAD FOR SOUTH AFRICA
AND THE CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.
THAT'S A JOURNEY OF FOUR
THOUSAND KILOMETERS, WHICH
WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO MAKE
IN WITHIN HALF A YEAR ON
FOOT, DEPENDING
ON THE TERRAIN.



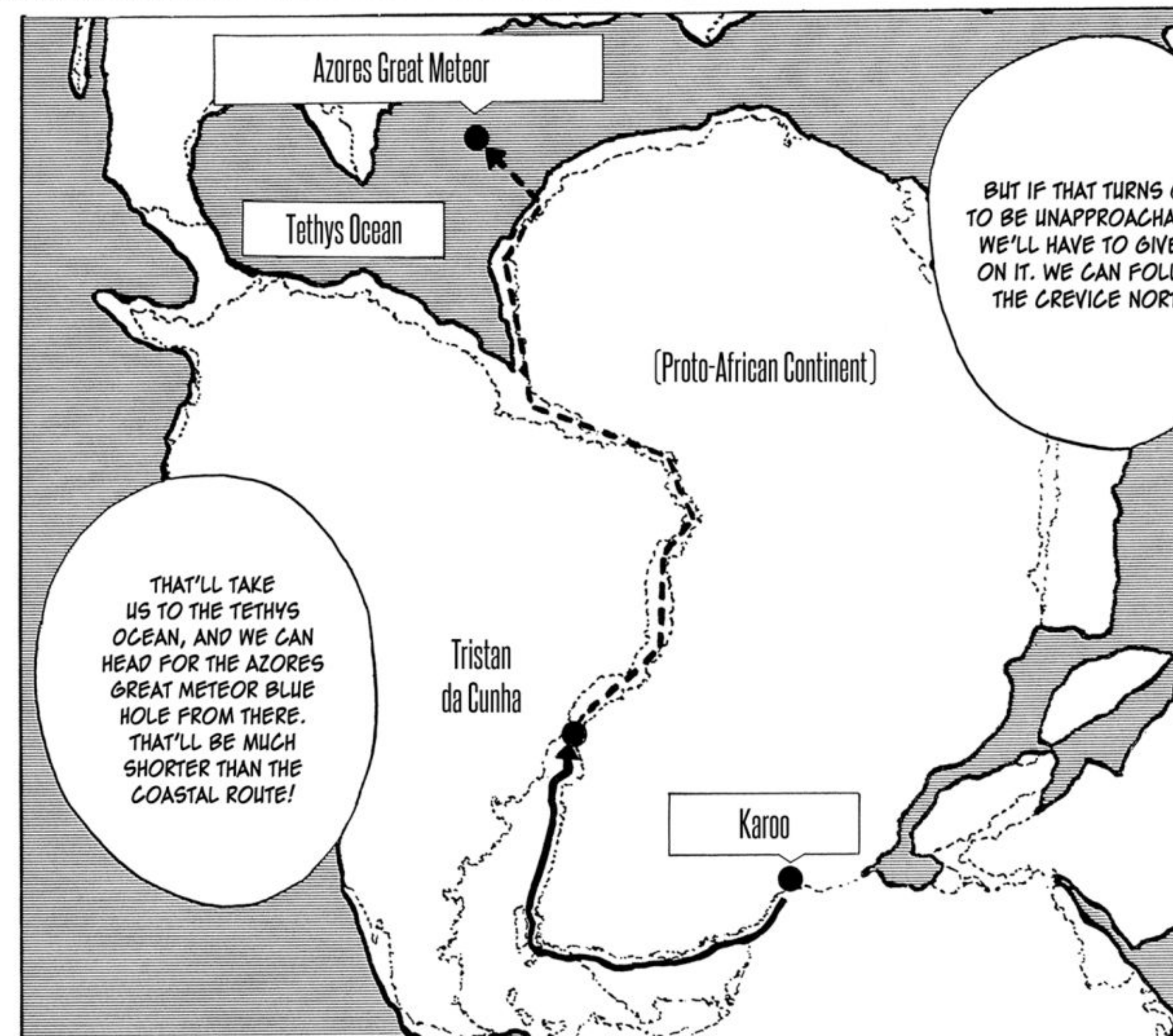
THIS IS THE ERA WHEN THE CONTINENTS OF AFRICA AND SOUTH AMERICA ARE ABOUT TO BREAK OFF FROM THE GONDWANAN SUPERCONTINENT... THERE'LL BE A MASSIVE CREVICE THAT WILL LATER BECOME THE ATLANTIC OCEAN, AND THE TRISTAN DA CUNHA BLUE HOLE WILL BE RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF THAT.



WE DON'T HAVE THE LUXURY OF CHOICE. THEY'LL PROBABLY SEND IN THE SUBMERSIBLE IN HALF A YEAR. THIS IS THE ONLY ROUTE THAT WE CAN TAKE TO MAKE IT IN TIME.



GOING THROUGH THE JUNGLE WILL BE A LOT HARDER THAN YOU THINK, PROFESSOR...



Azores Great Meteor

Tethys Ocean

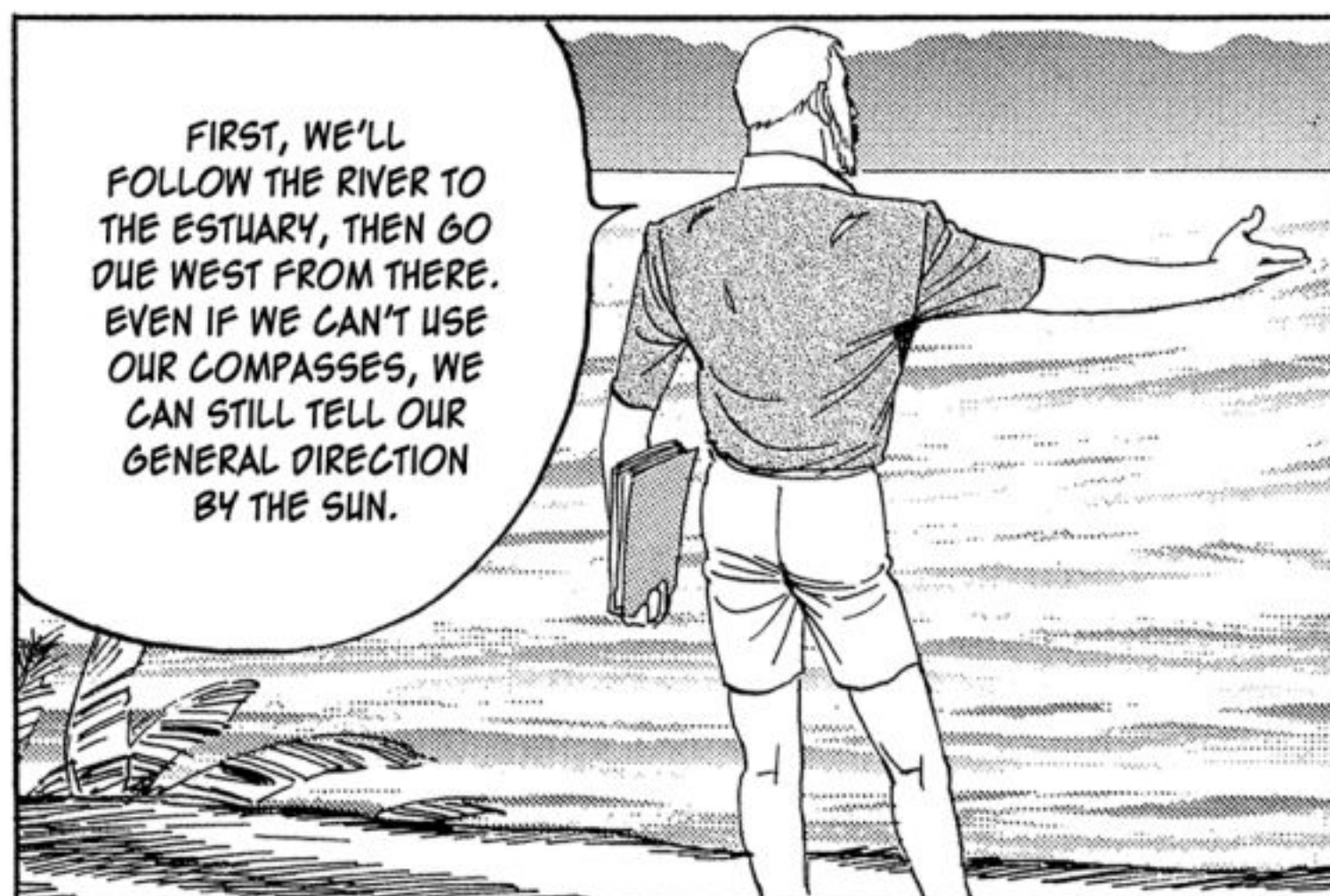
(Proto-African Continent)

Tristan da Cunha

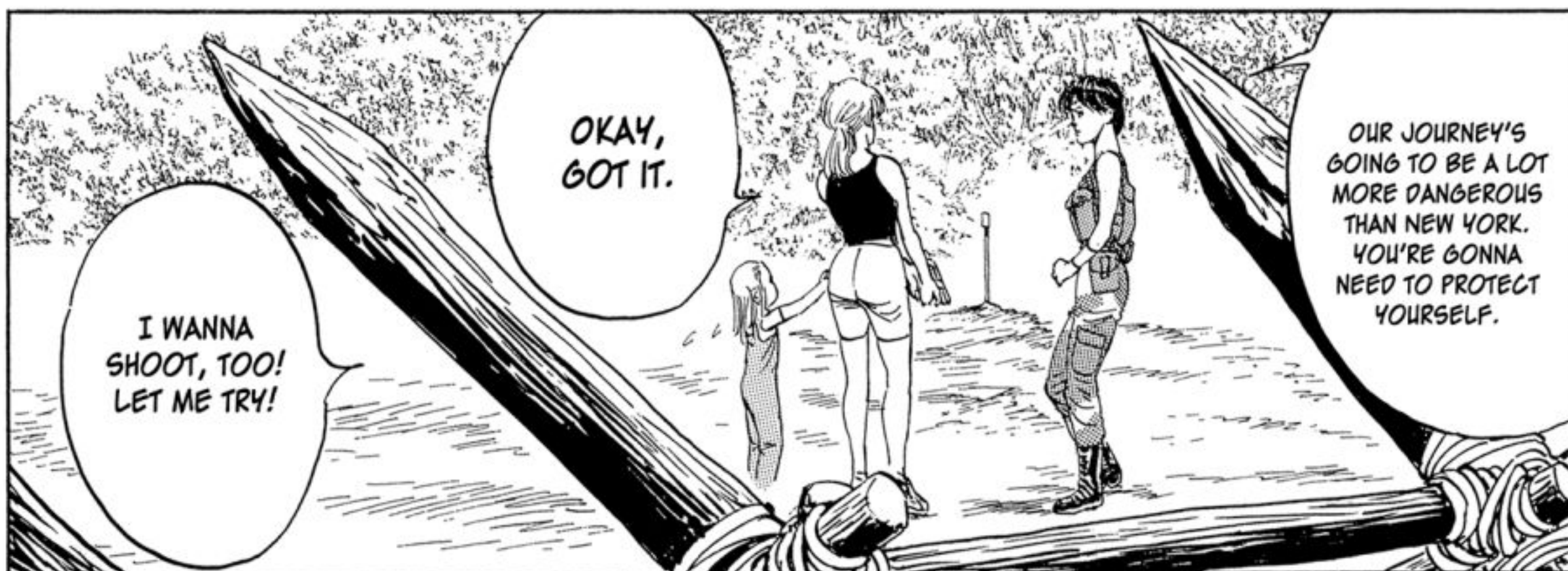
Karoo

THAT'LL TAKE US TO THE TETHYS OCEAN, AND WE CAN HEAD FOR THE AZORES GREAT METEOR BLUE HOLE FROM THERE. THAT'LL BE MUCH SHORTER THAN THE COASTAL ROUTE!

BUT IF THAT TURNS OUT TO BE UNAPPROACHABLE, WE'LL HAVE TO GIVE UP ON IT. WE CAN FOLLOW THE CREVICE NORTH.







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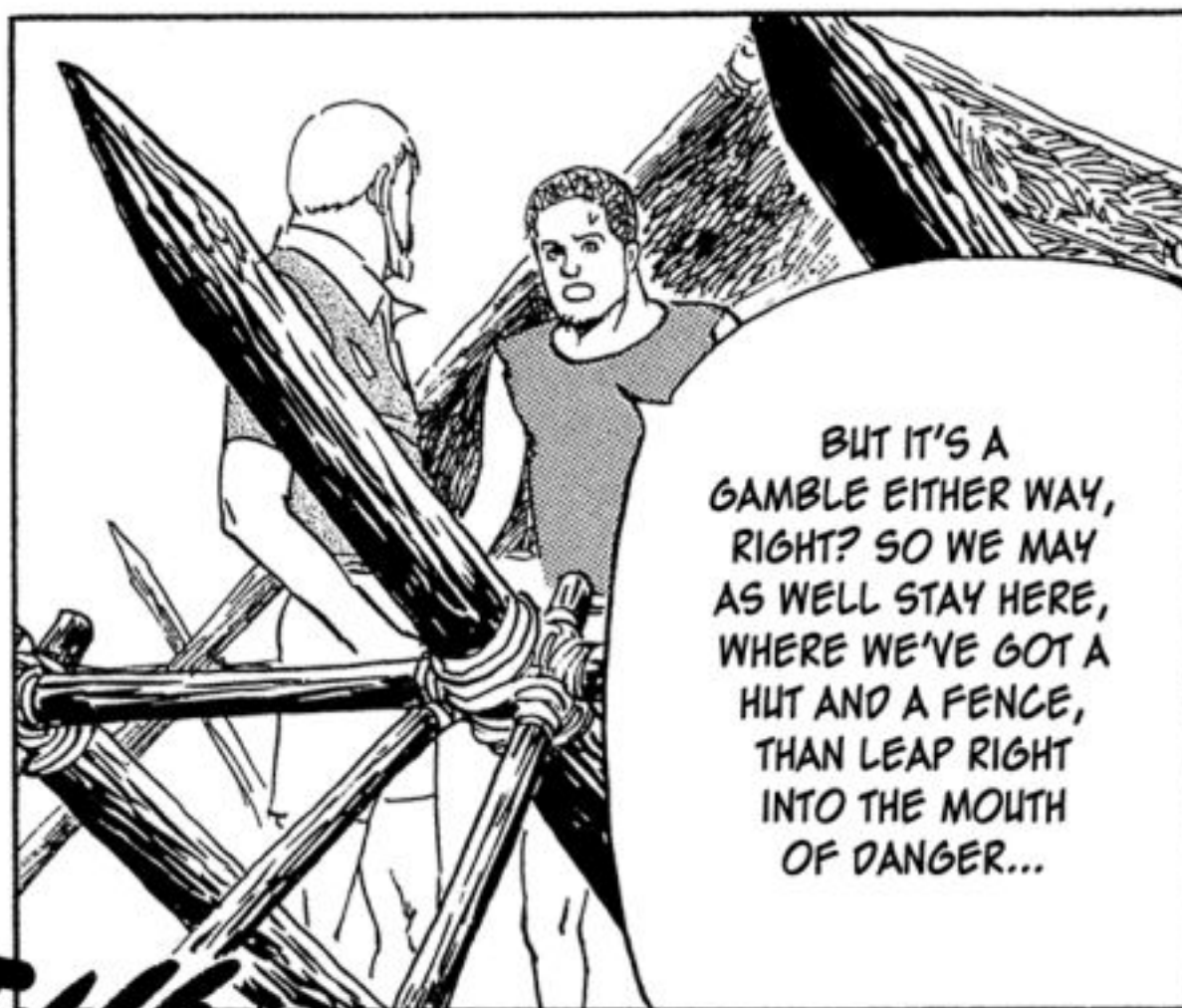


IN THE MEANTIME, THE MAGNETIC FIELD COULD WEAKEN EVEN FURTHER, AND THE BLUE HOLE COULD VANISH ALTOGETHER!

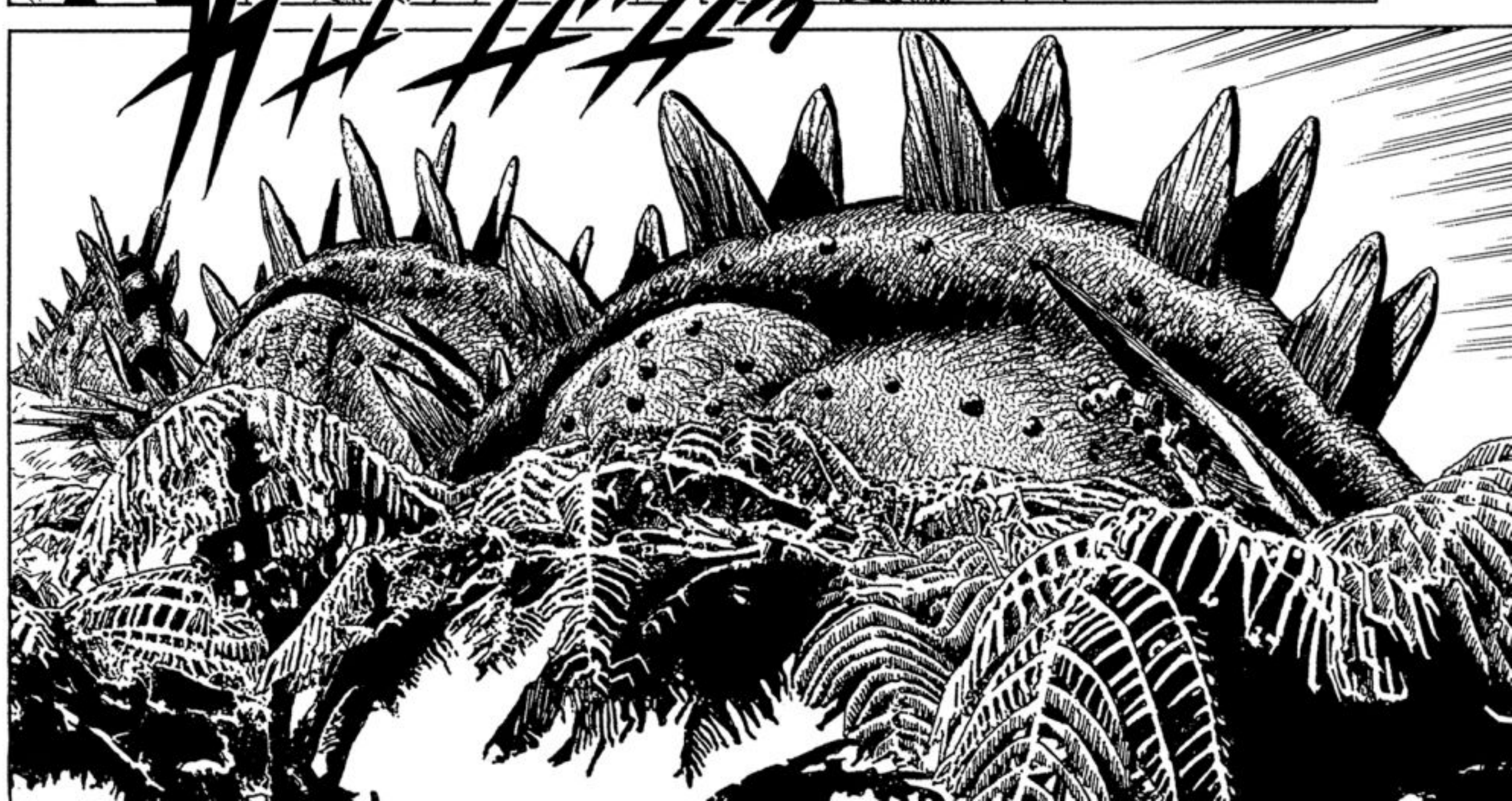


WE DON'T HAVE ANY WAY TO CONTACT THE MODERN WORLD, SO WE HAVE TO FOLLOW THEIR ORDERS, HARRY.

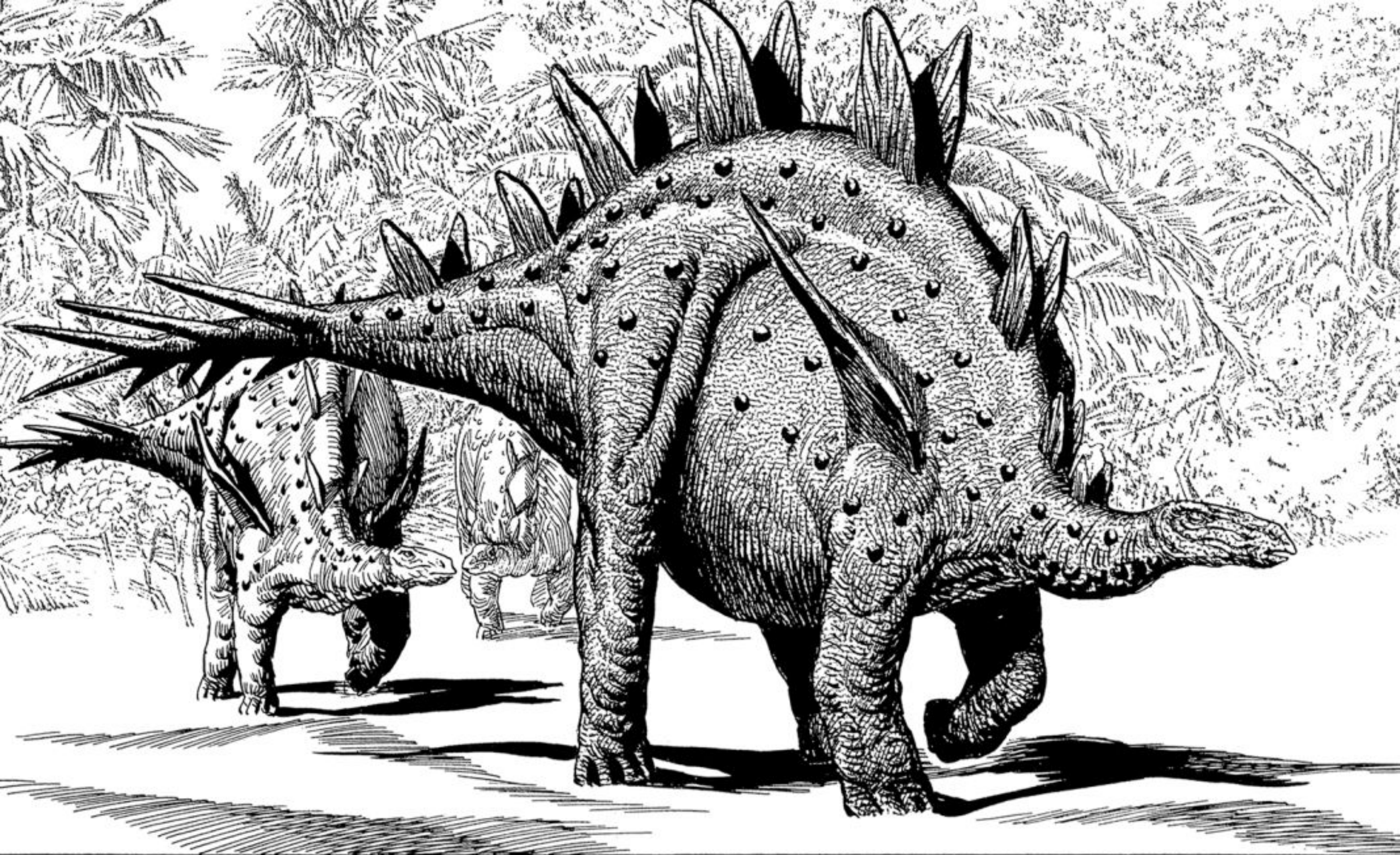
IF THE RESCUE PARTY DID COME, WHEN WOULD THAT BE? A YEAR FROM NOW? A YEAR AND A HALF!? IT COULD BE EVEN LONGER.



BUT IT'S A GAMBLE EITHER WAY, RIGHT? SO WE MAY AS WELL STAY HERE, WHERE WE'VE GOT A HUT AND A FENCE, THAN LEAP RIGHT INTO THE MOUTH OF DANGER...

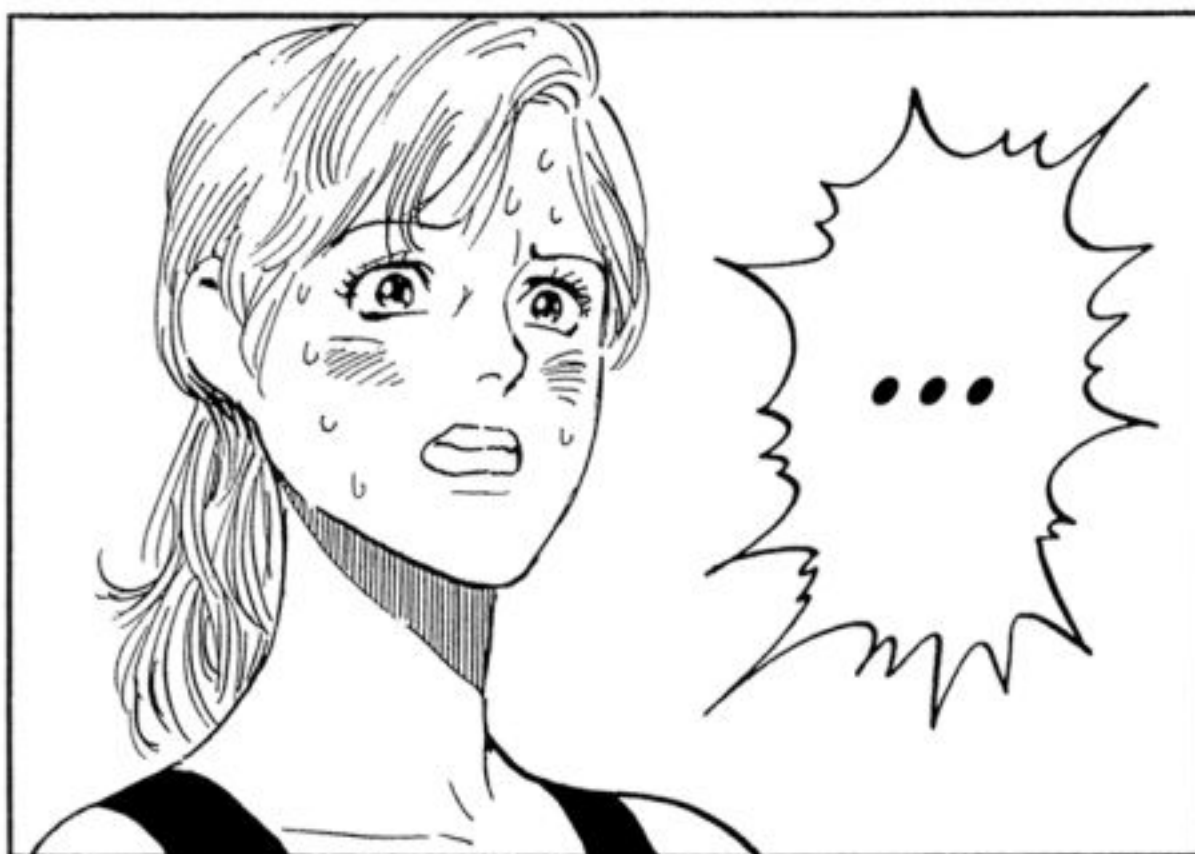


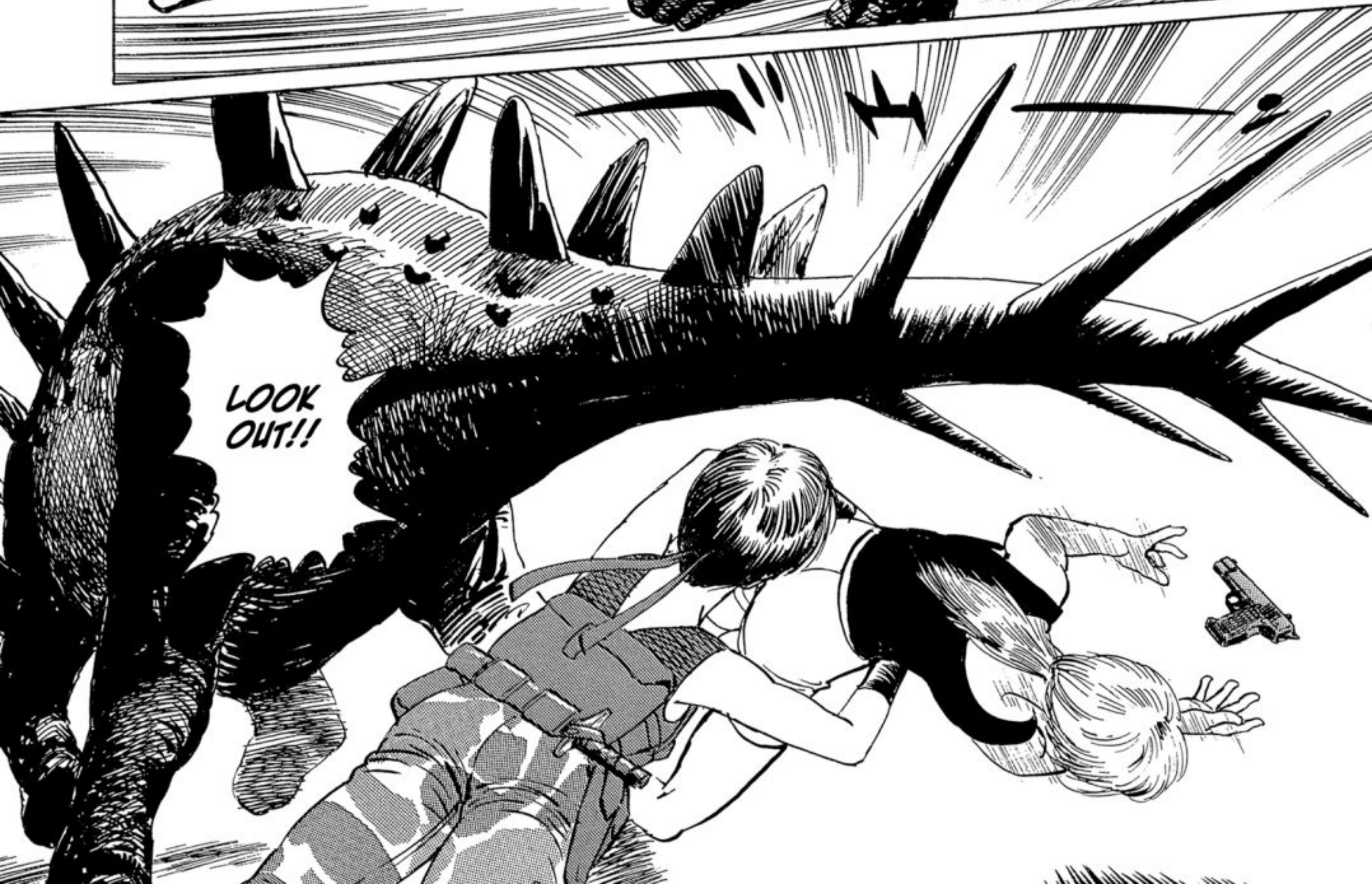


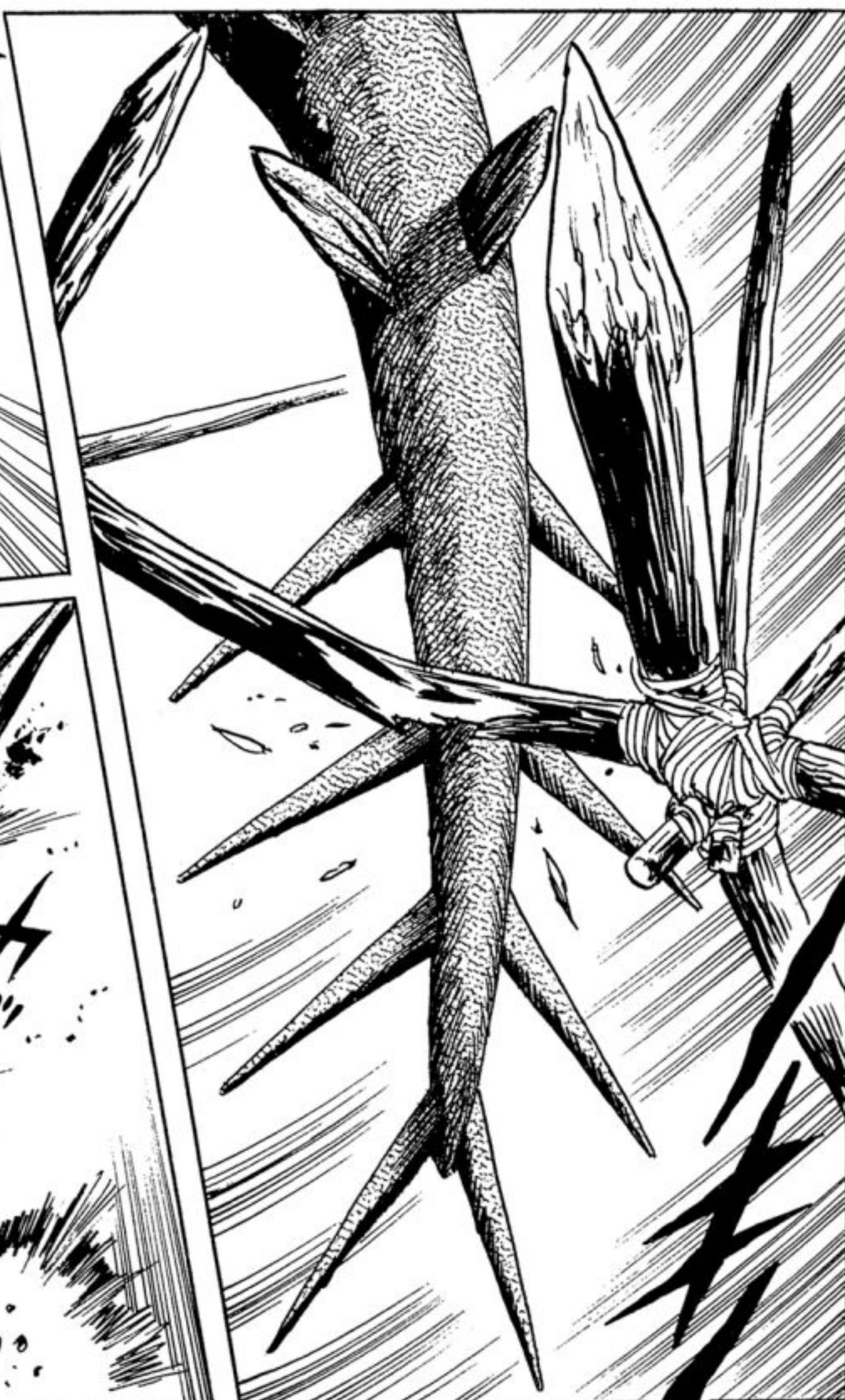


MARGIE,
BACK OFF
QUIETLY AND
GET INSIDE
THE FENCE.

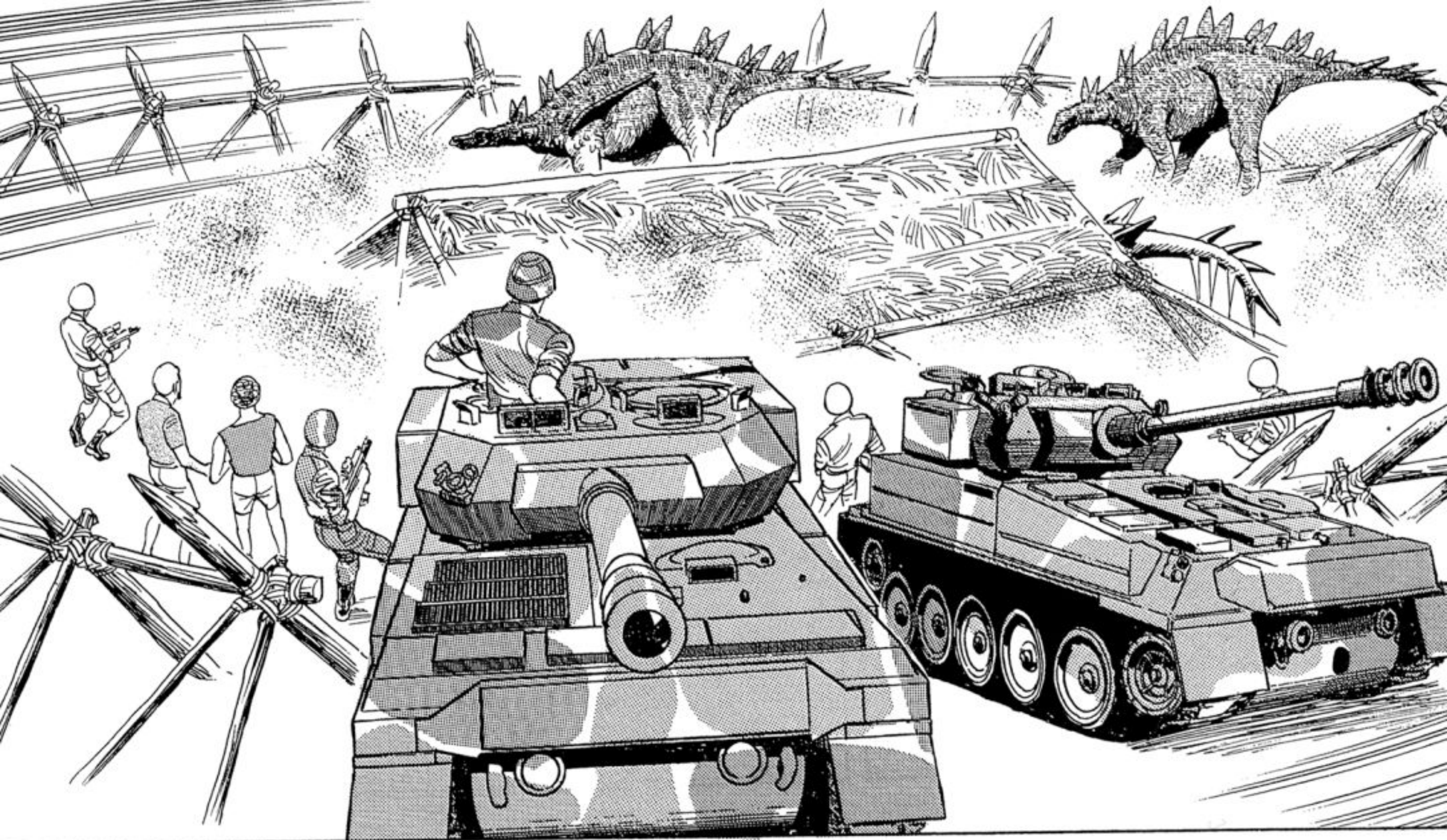
THAT'S A
KENTROSAURUS,
A HERBIVORE!
DON'T DO ANYTHING
TO IT, AND IT WON'T
DO ANYTHING TO US!

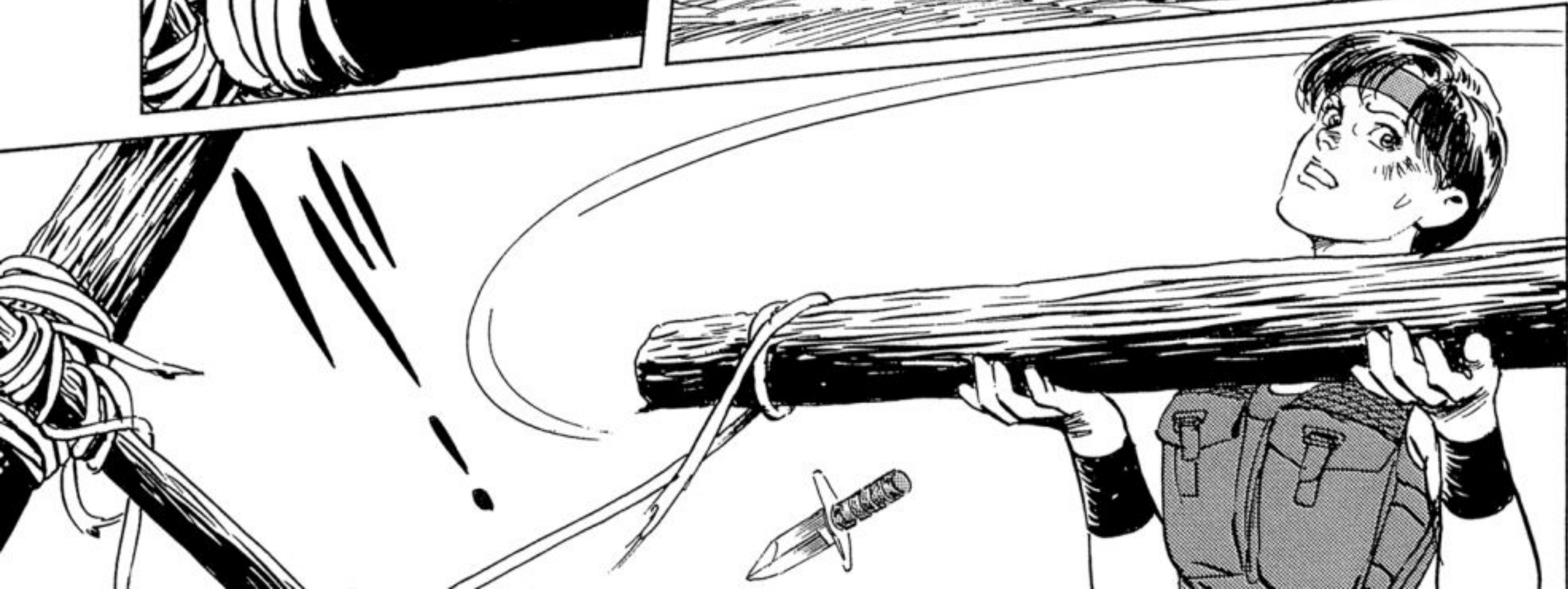
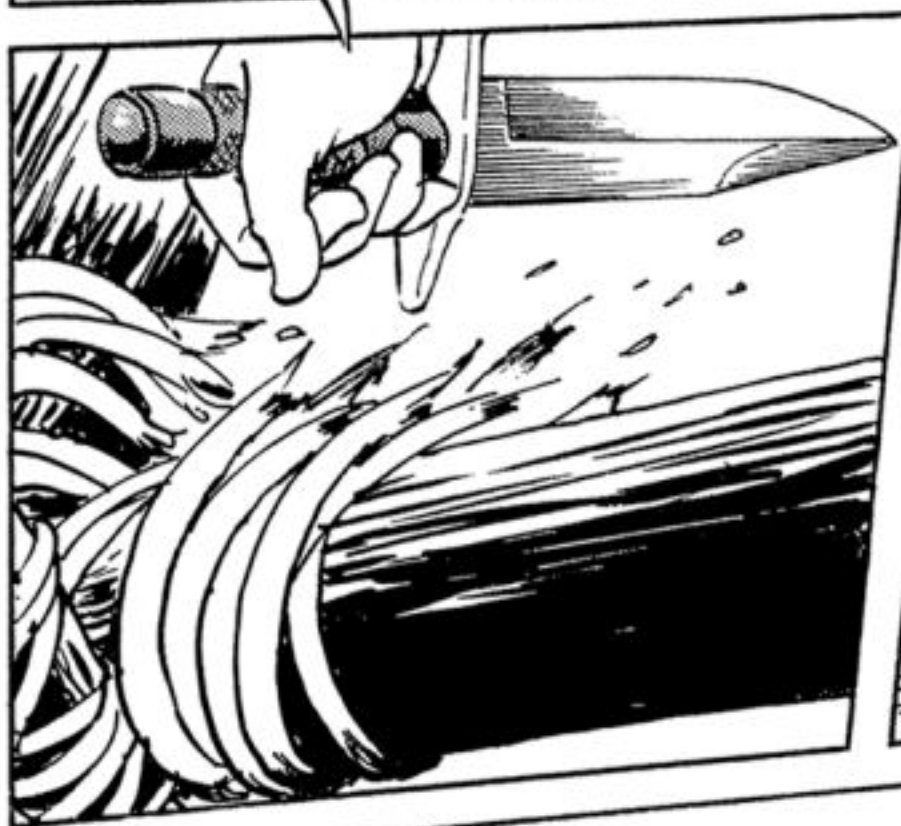
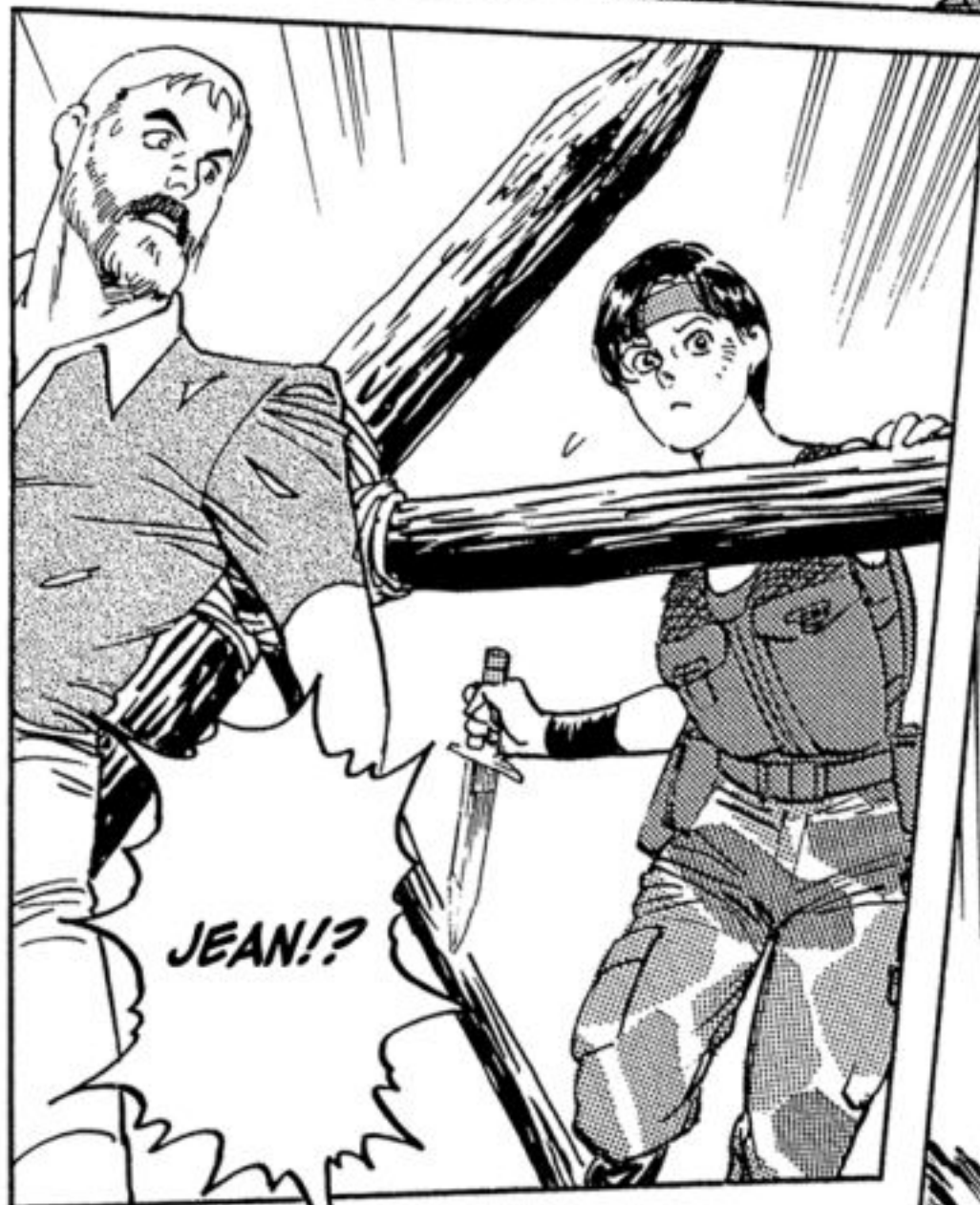


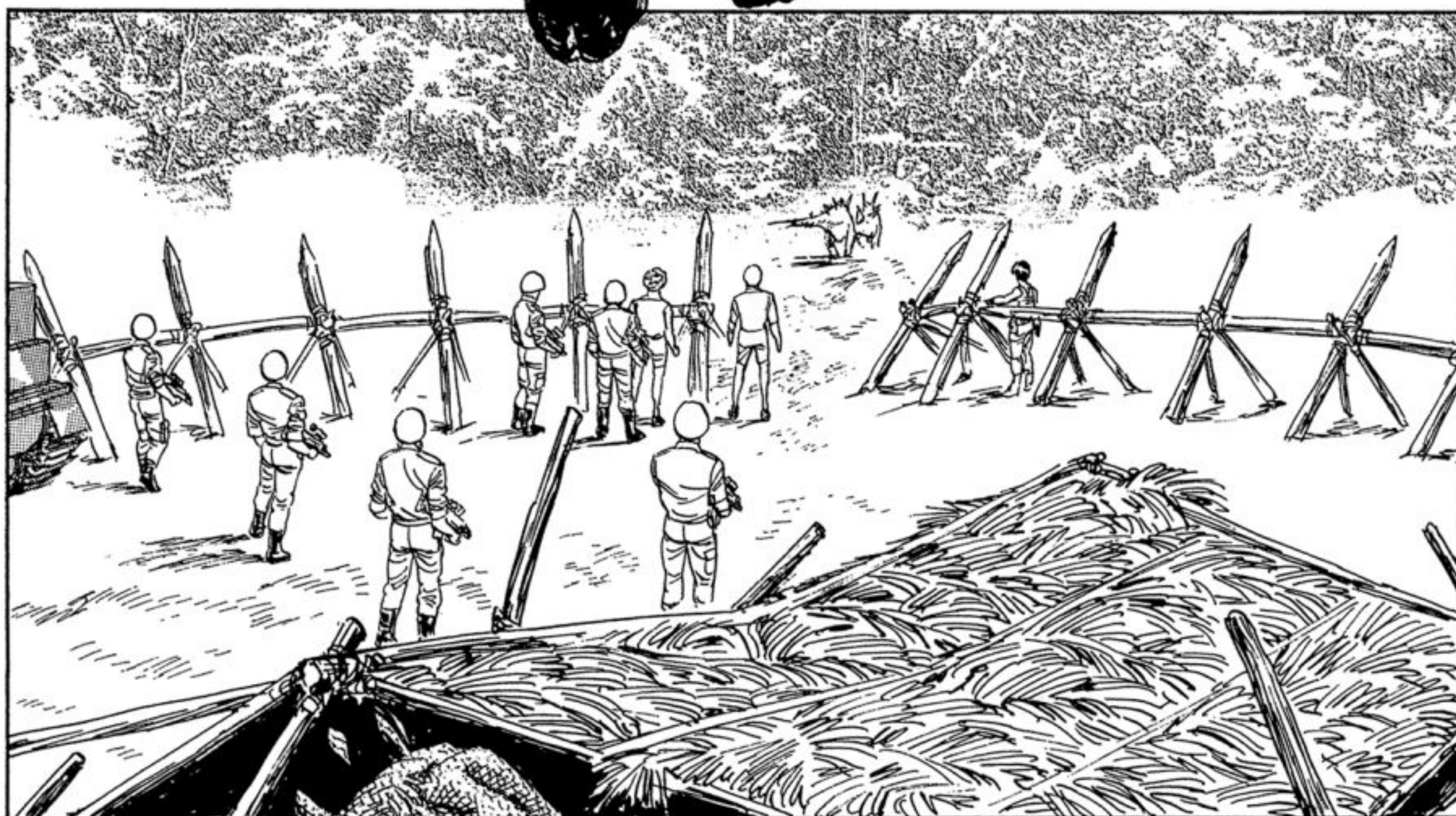
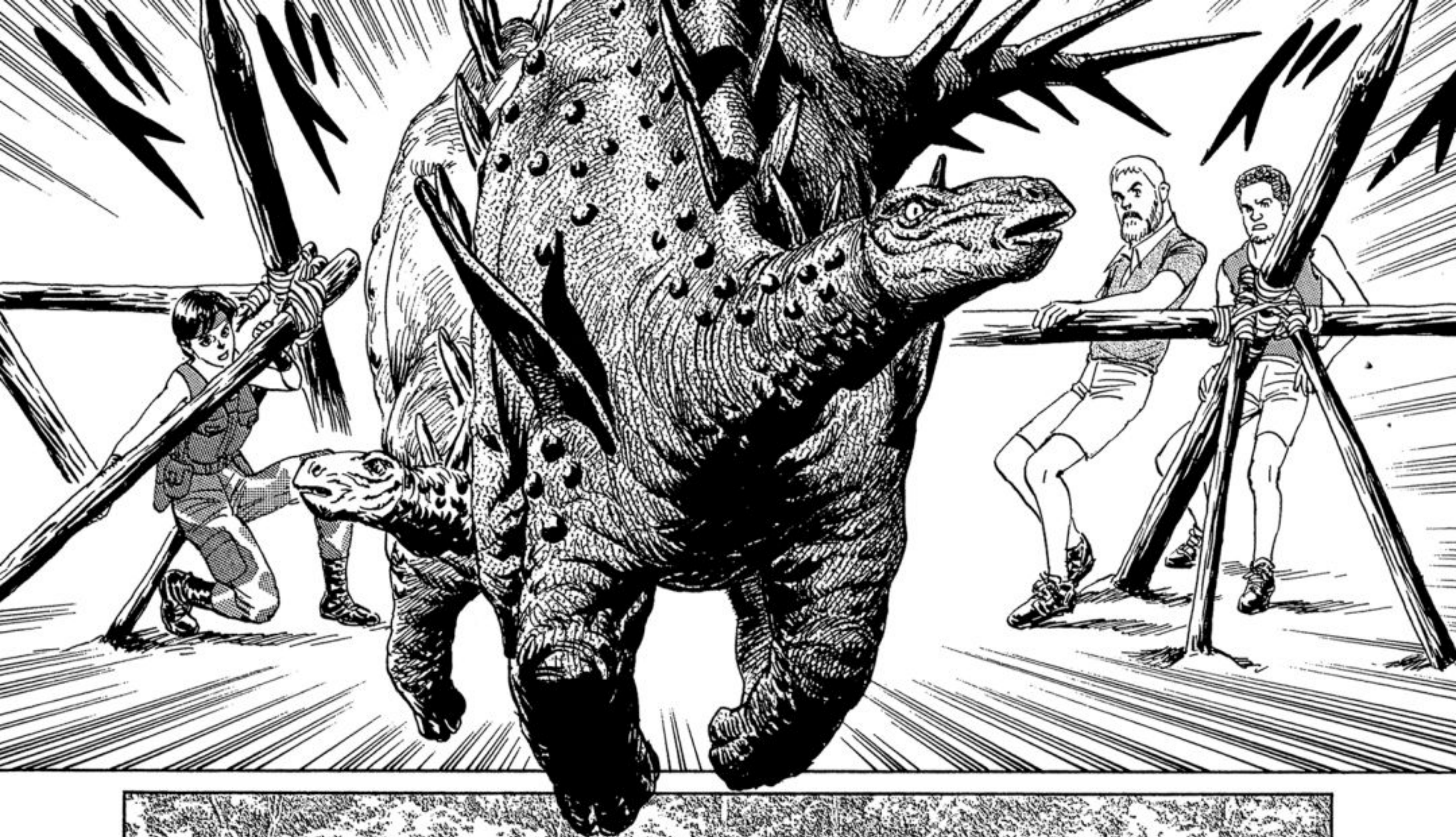


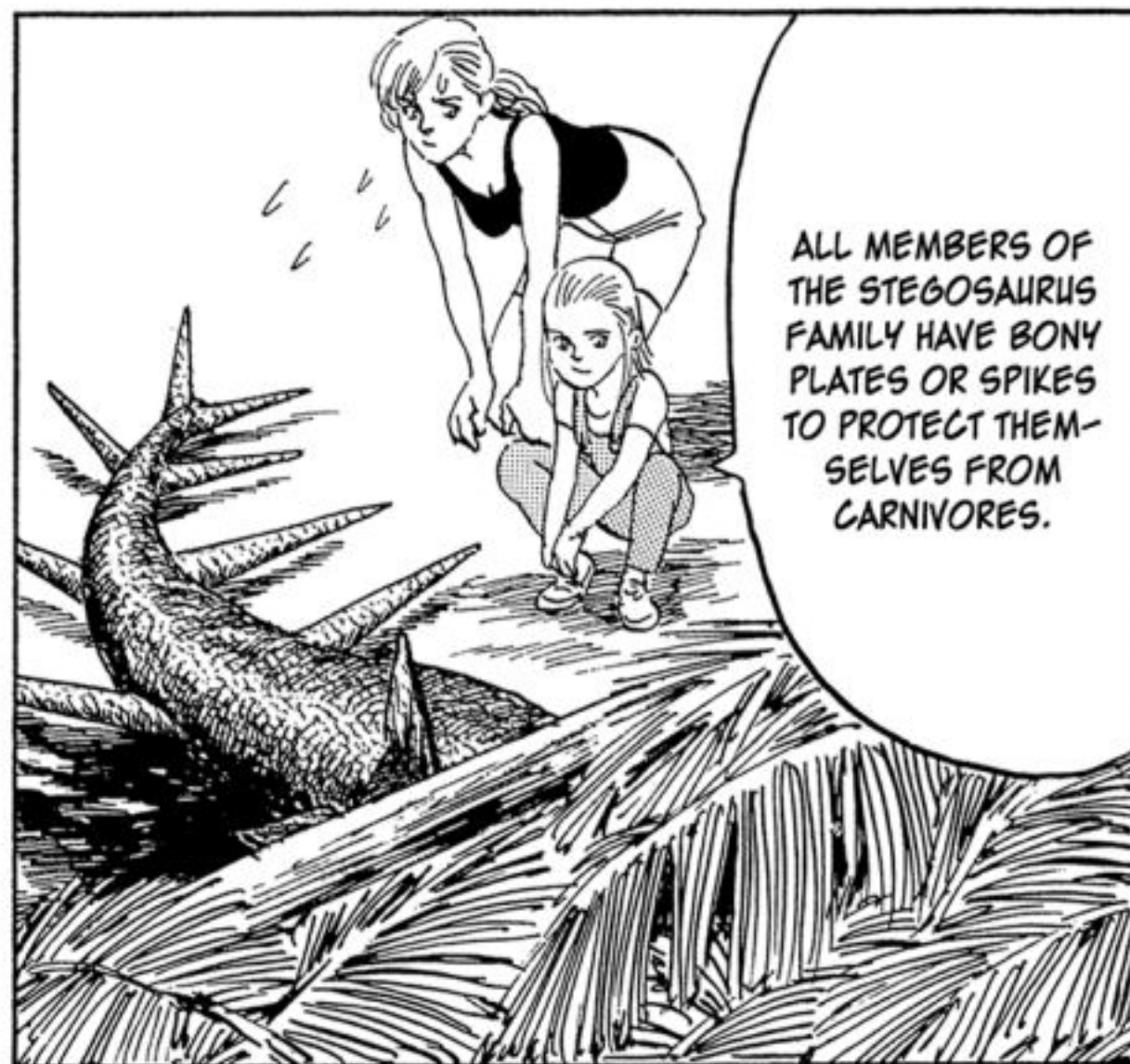
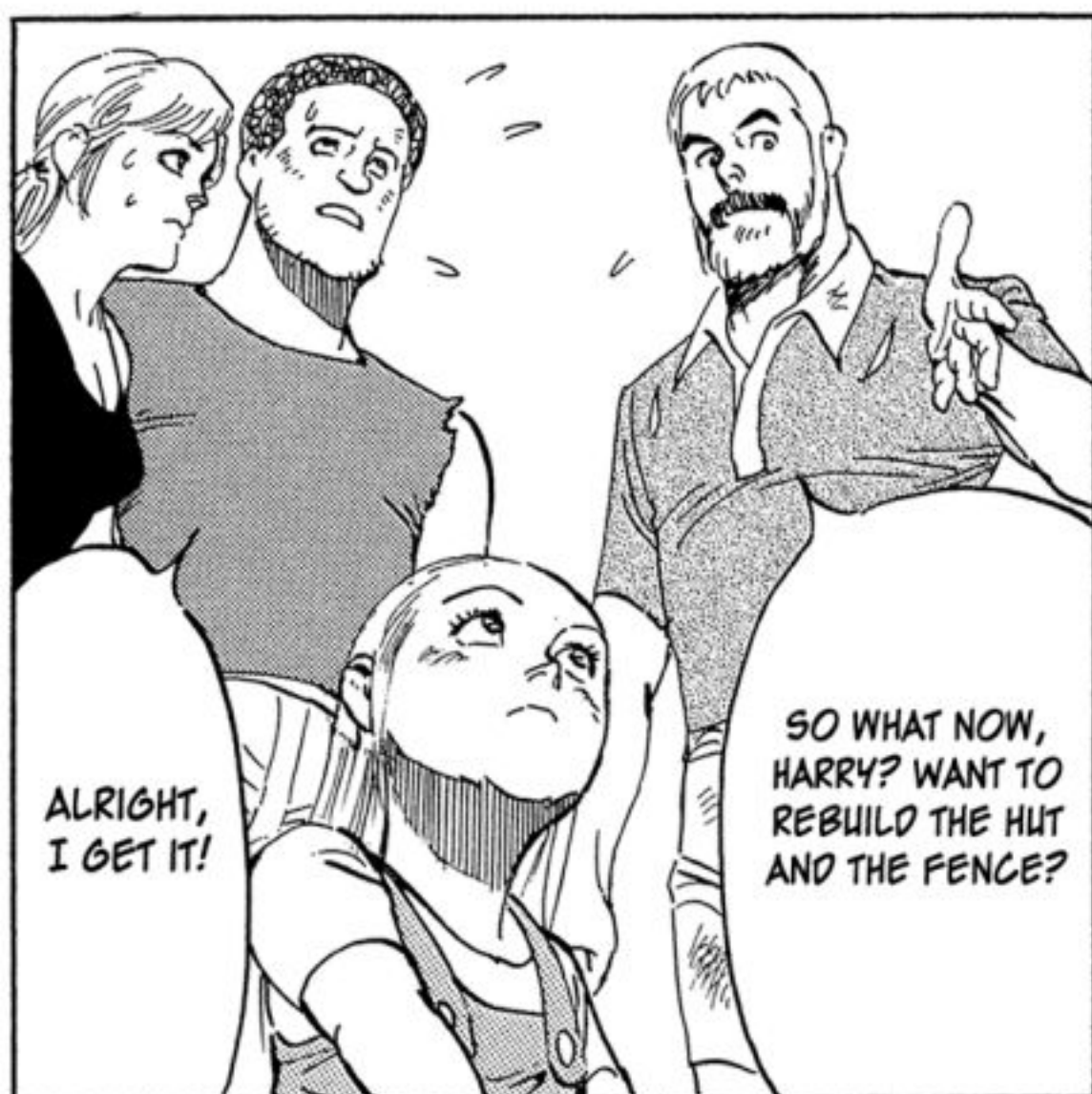


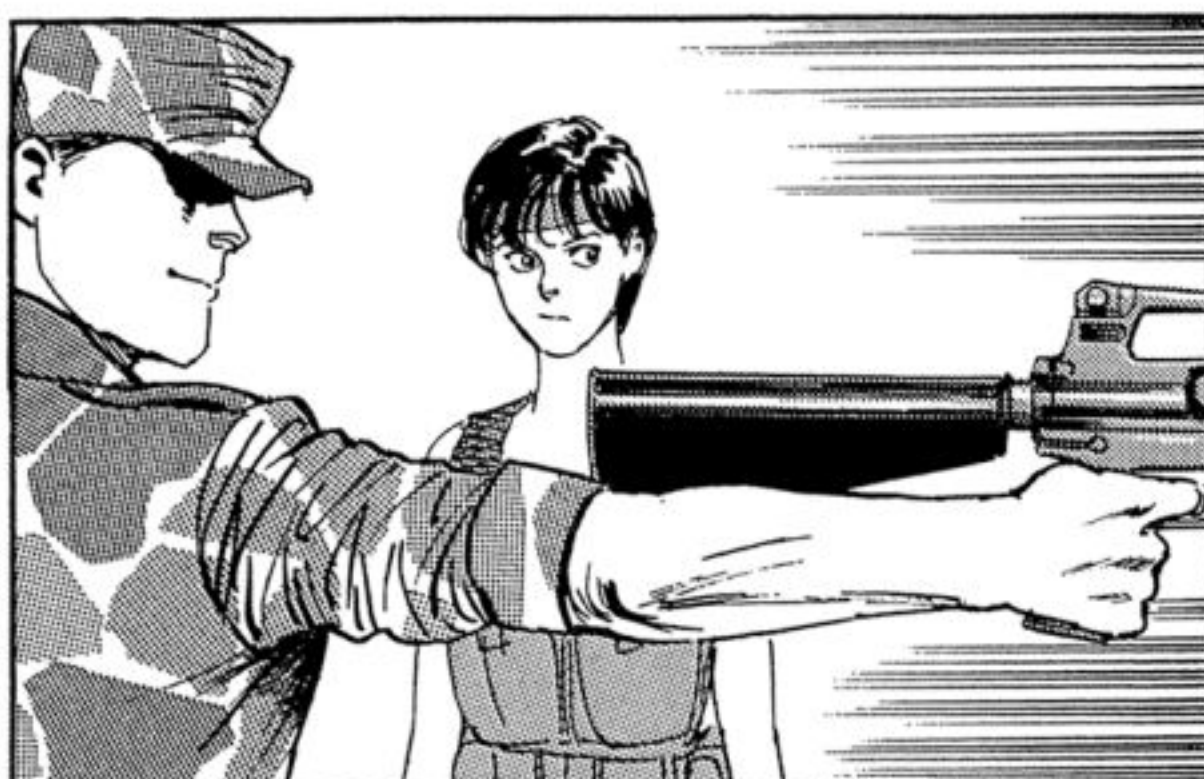




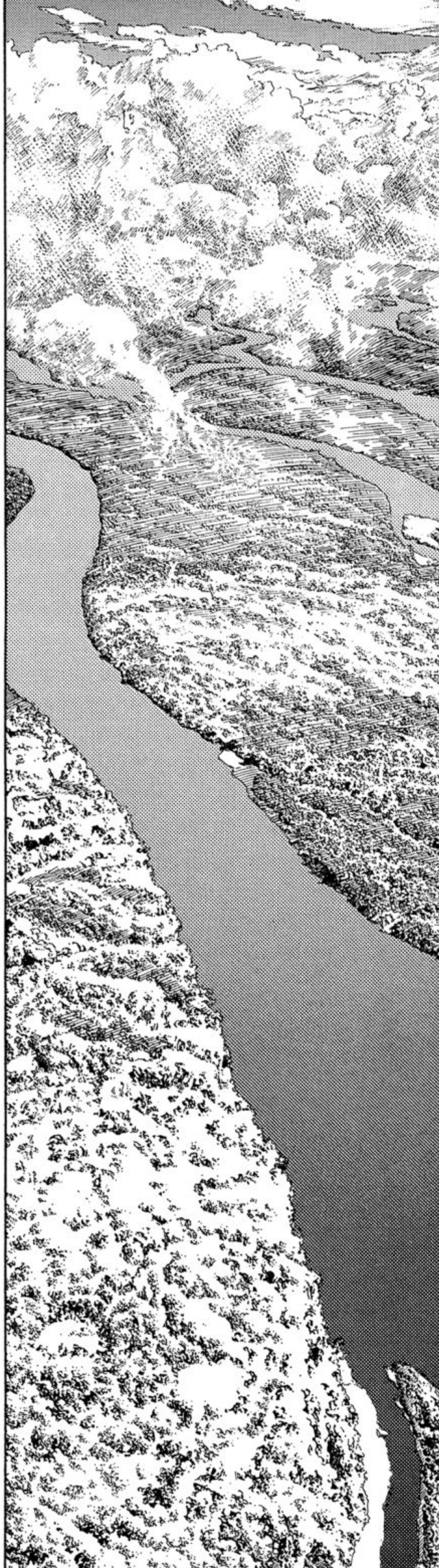
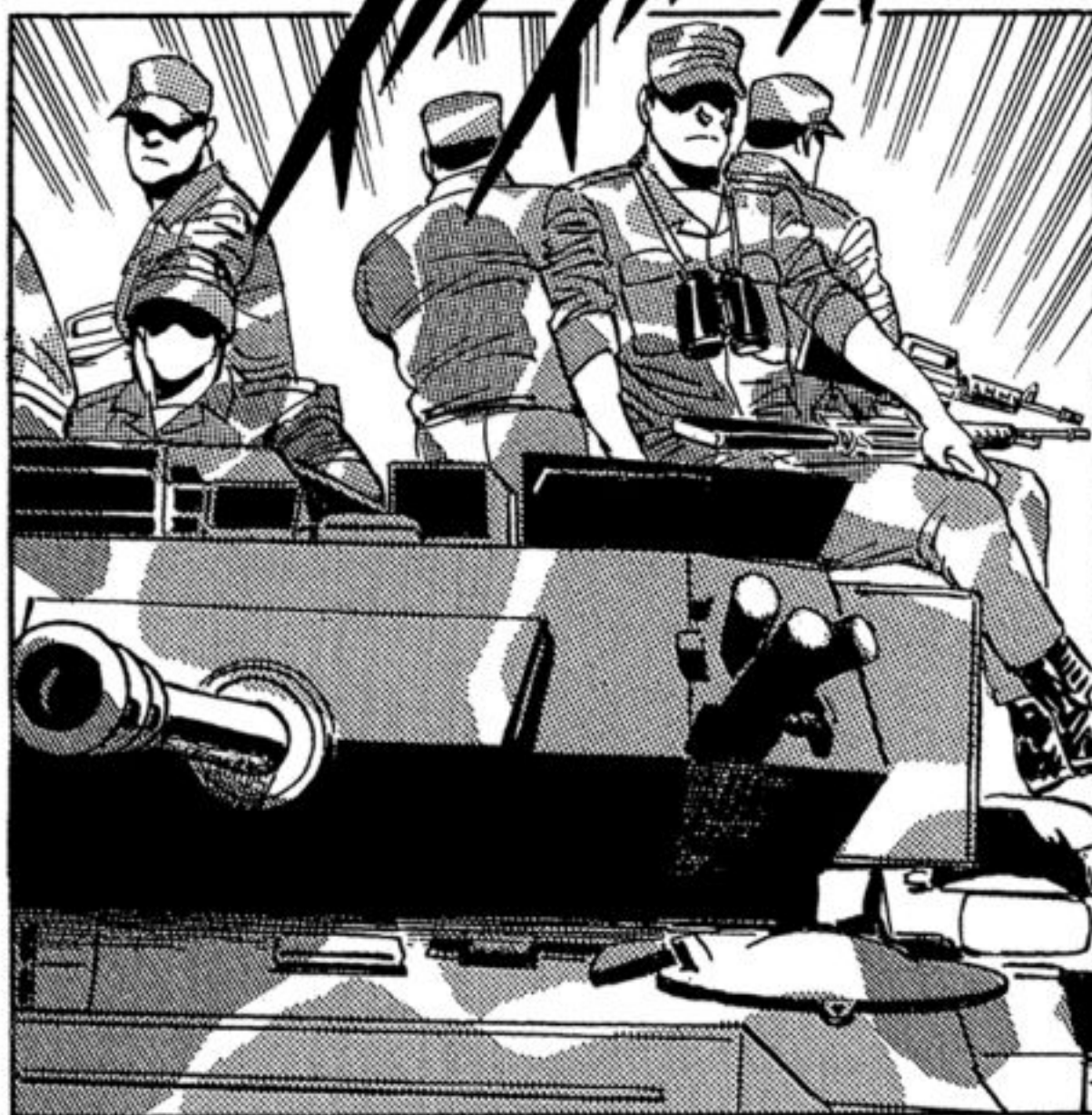
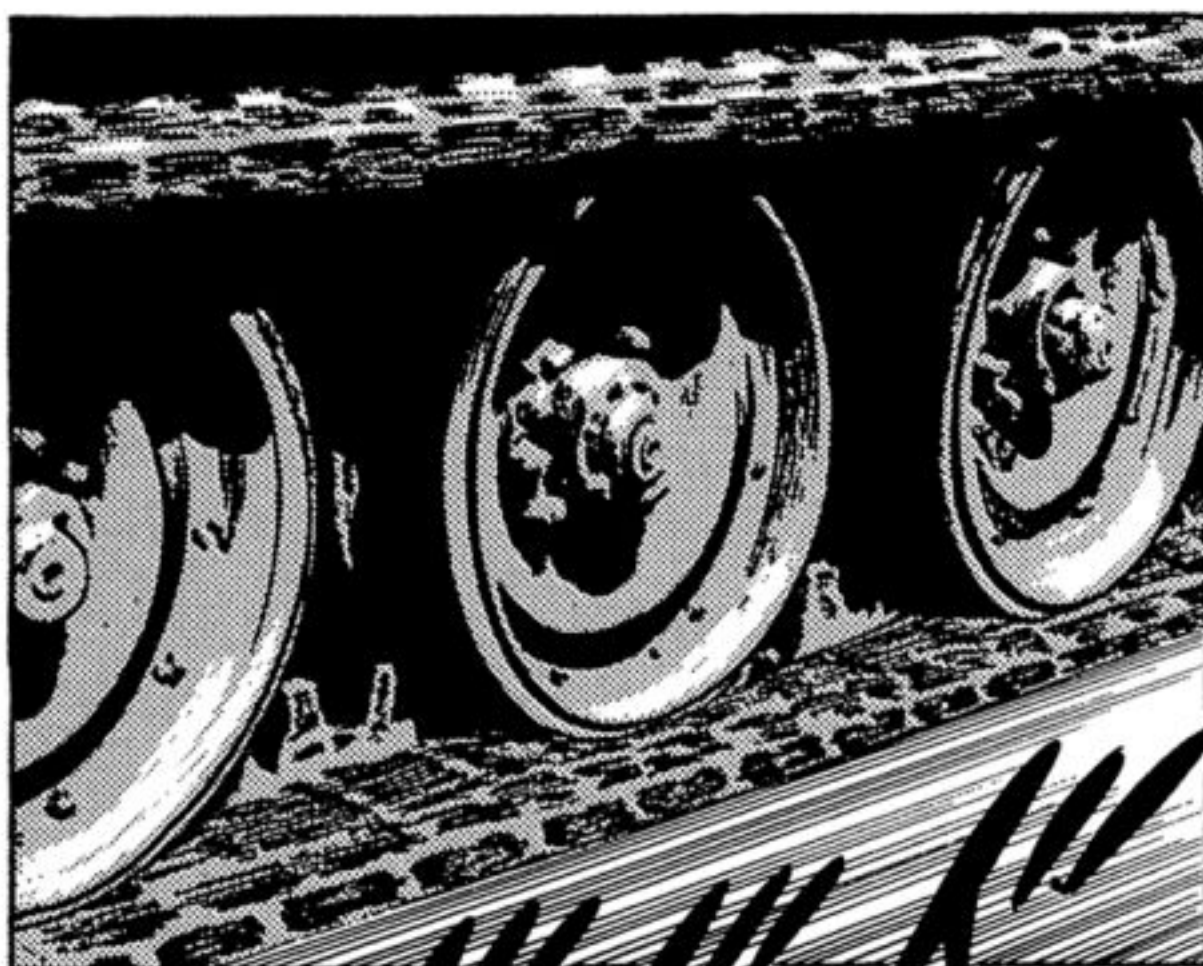
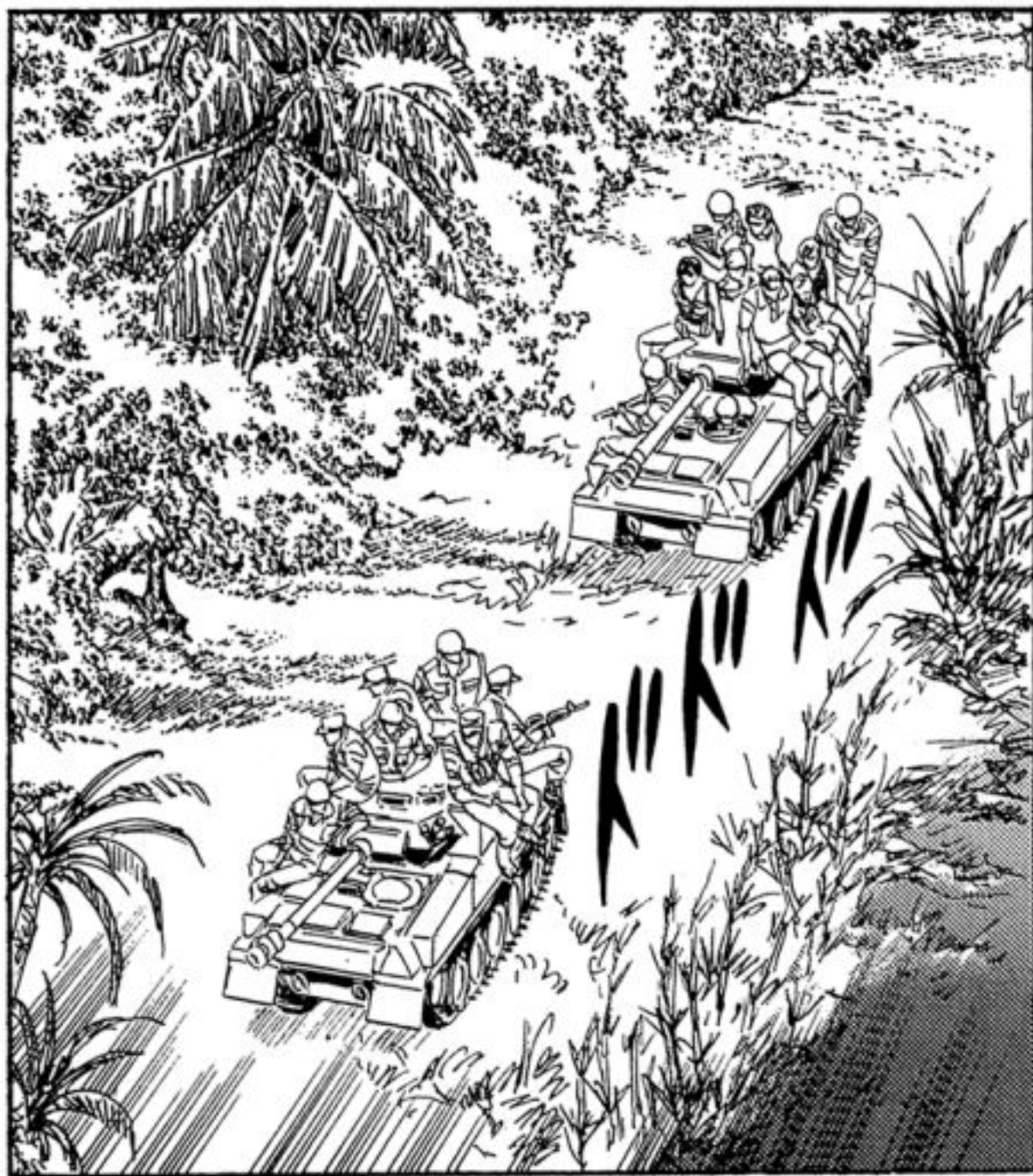


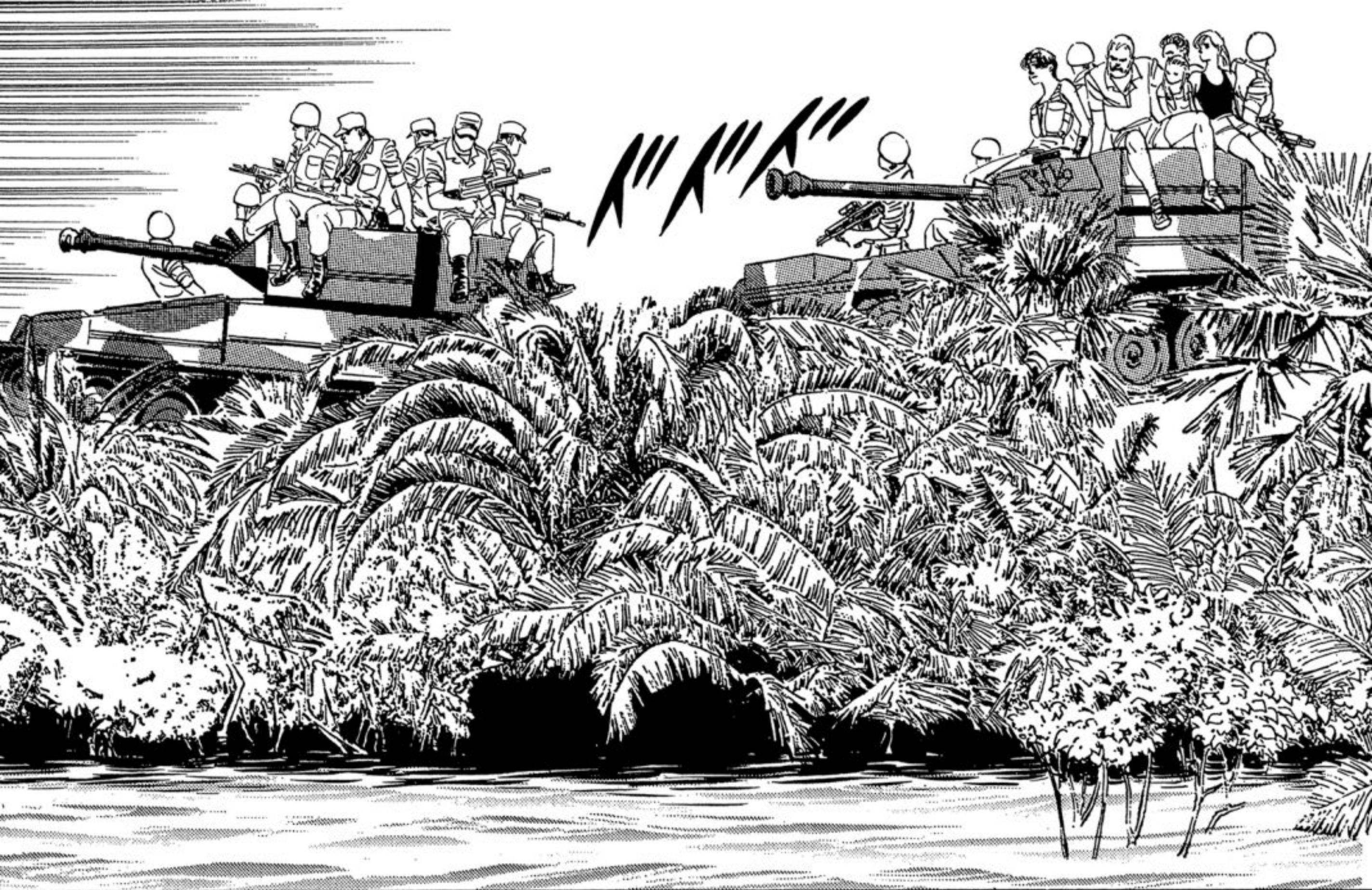


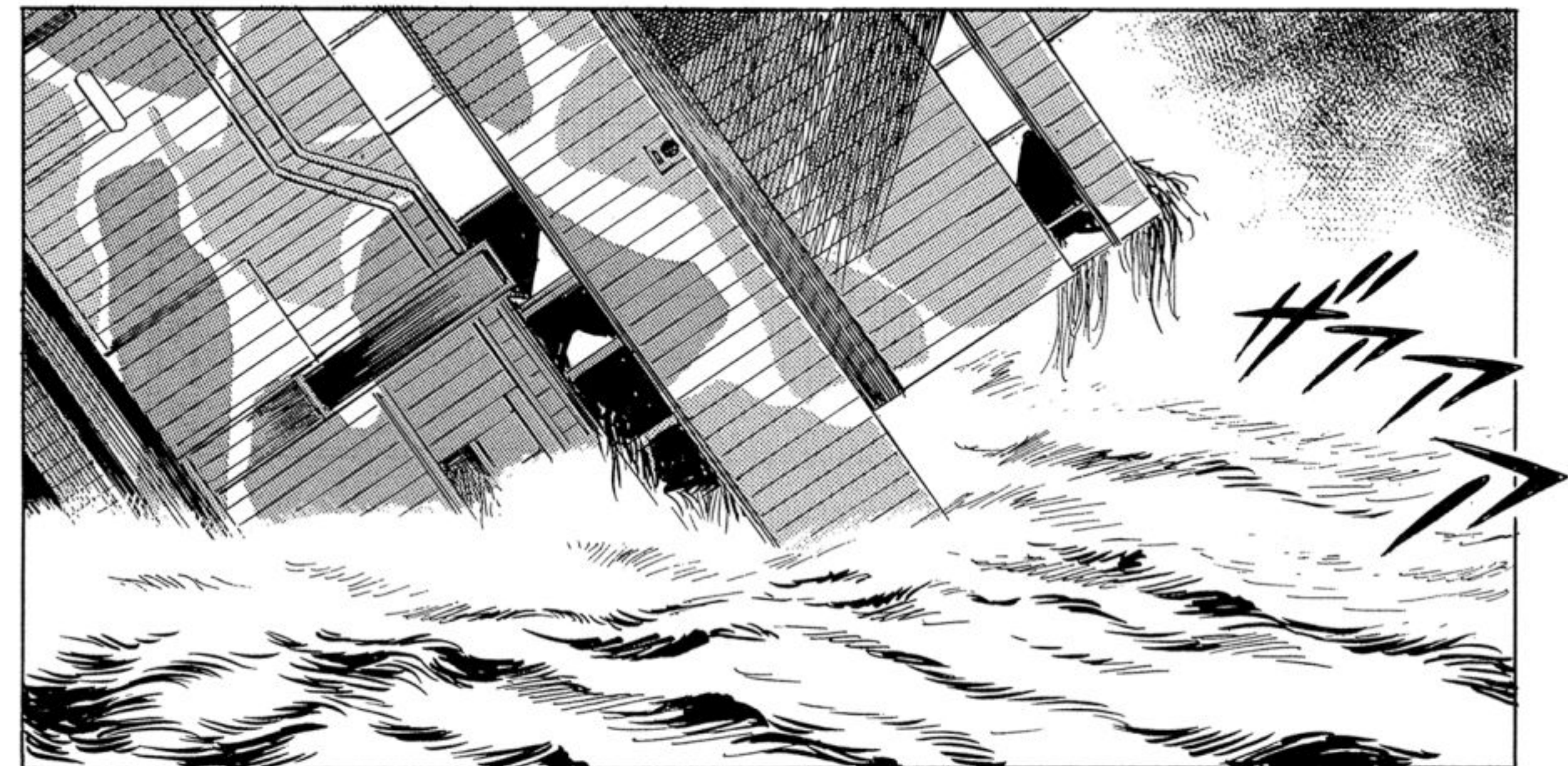
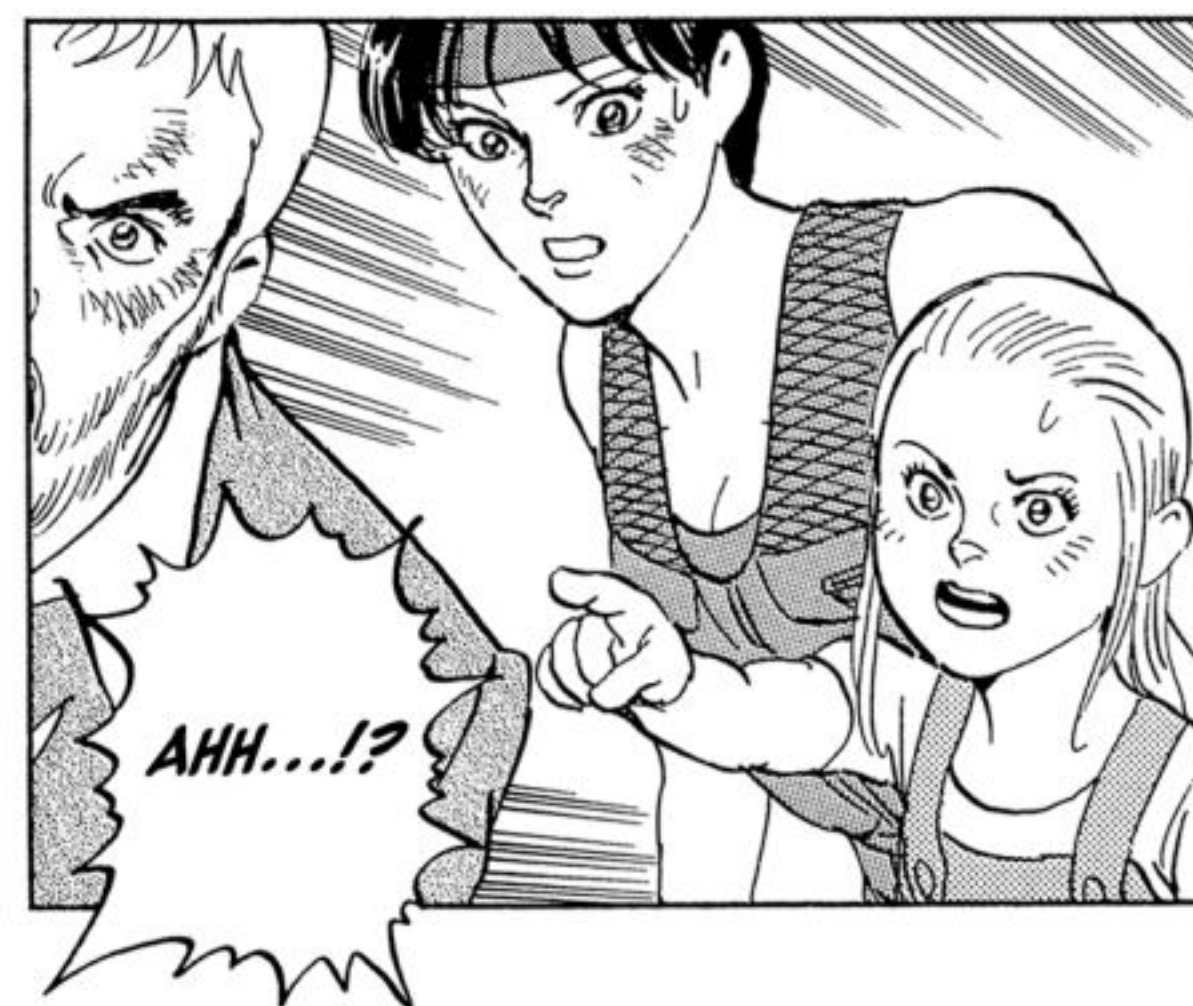


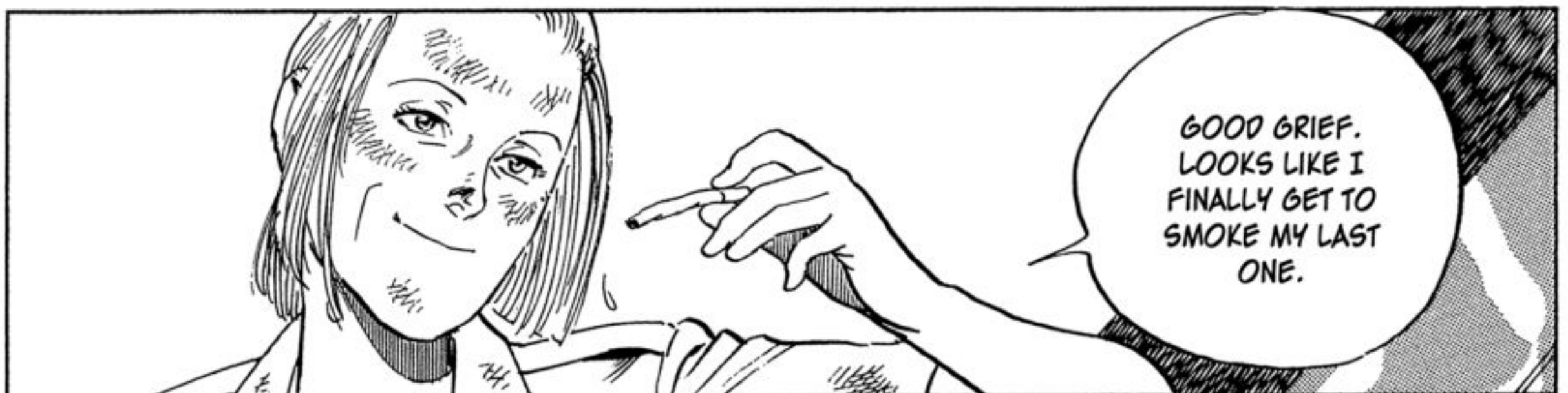




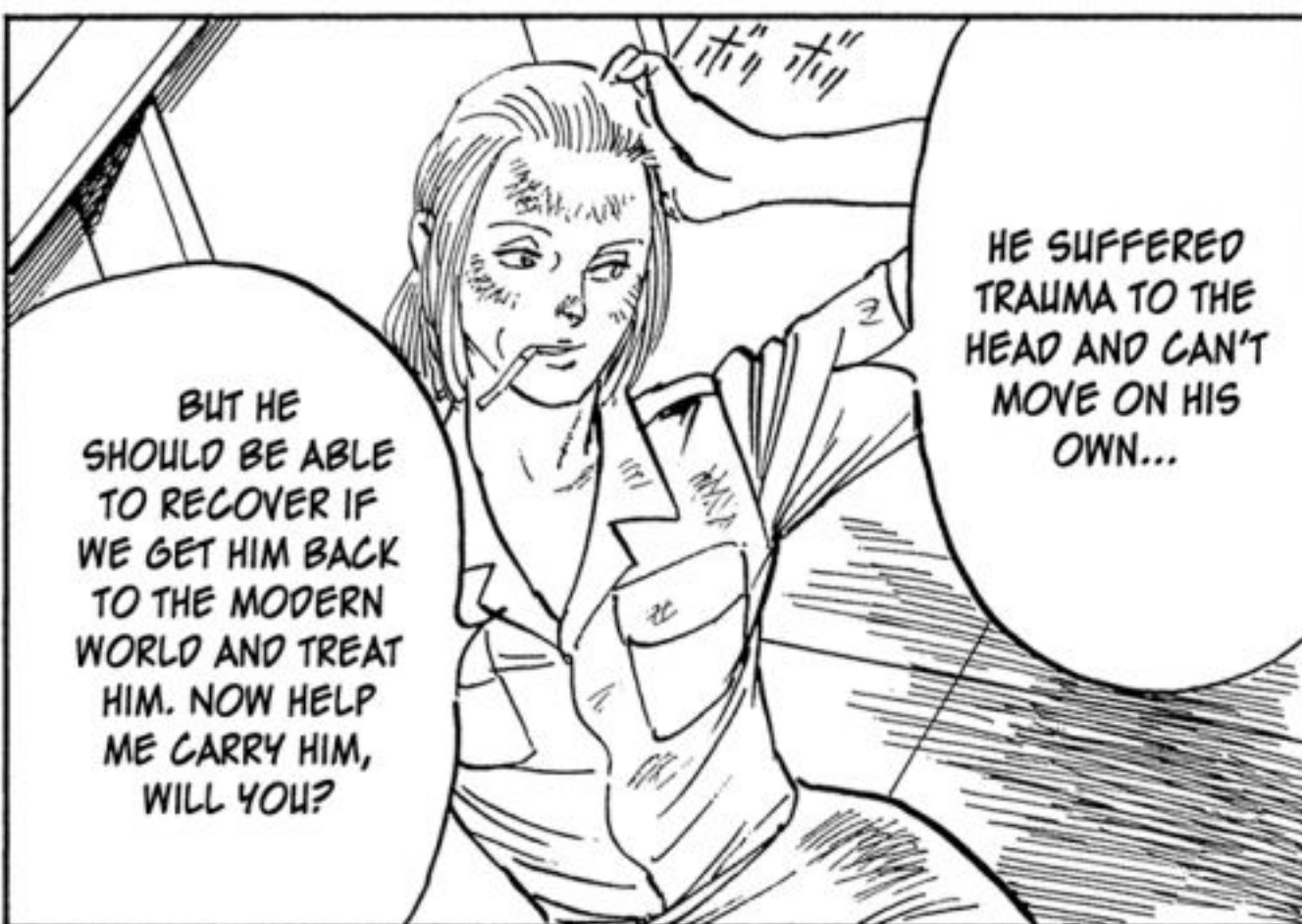
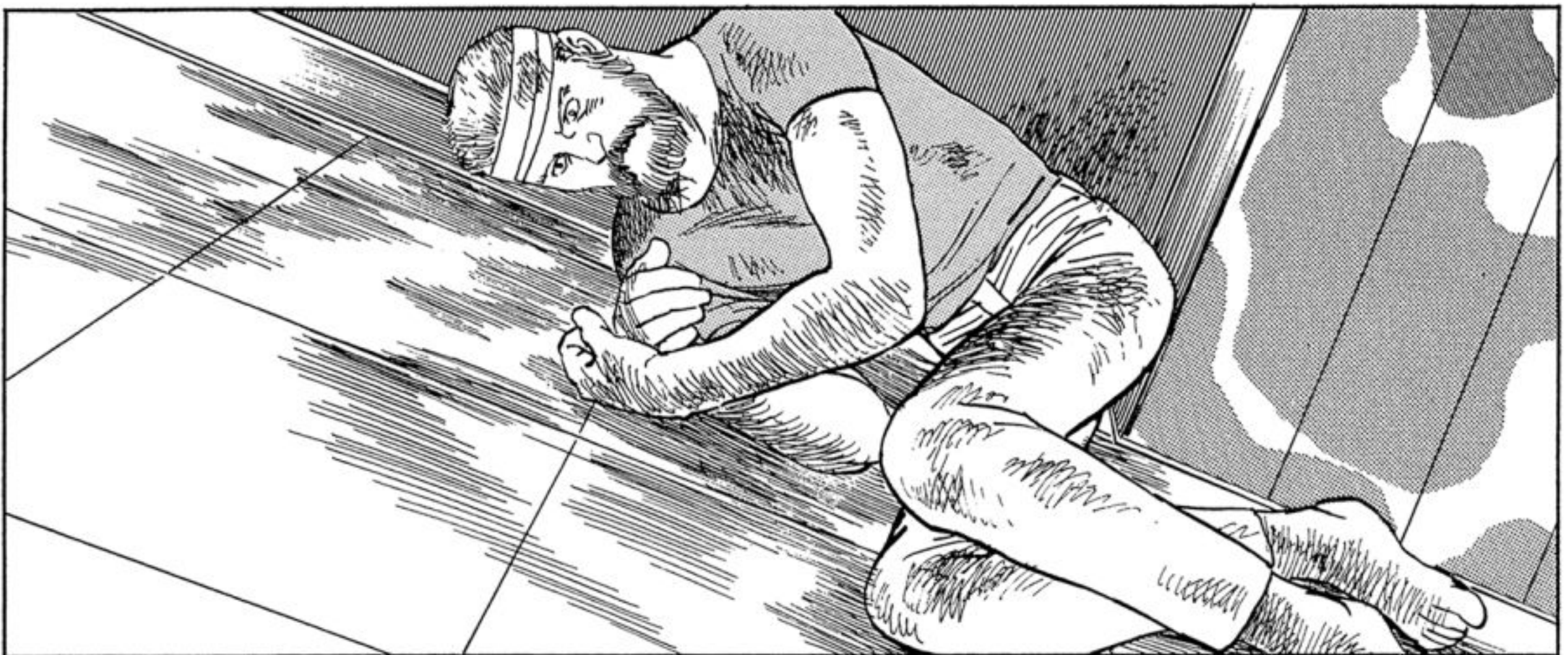


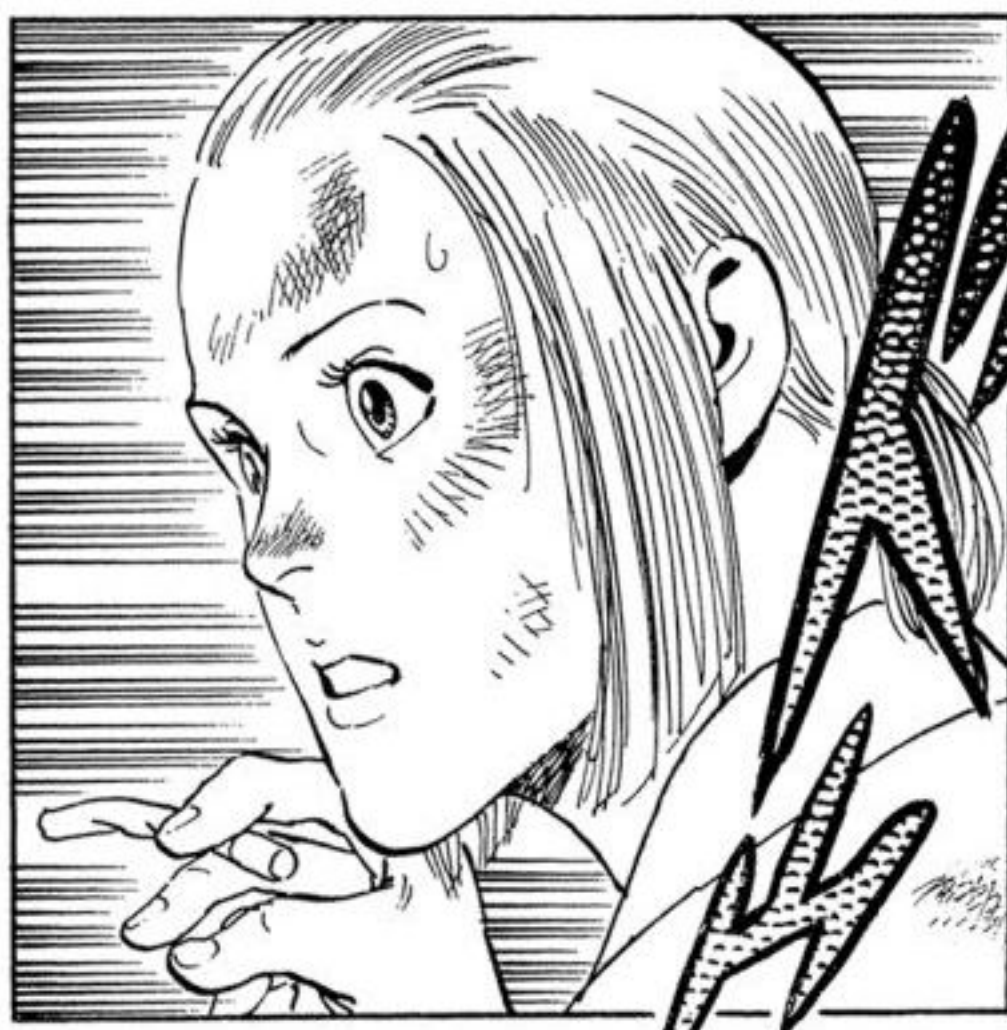




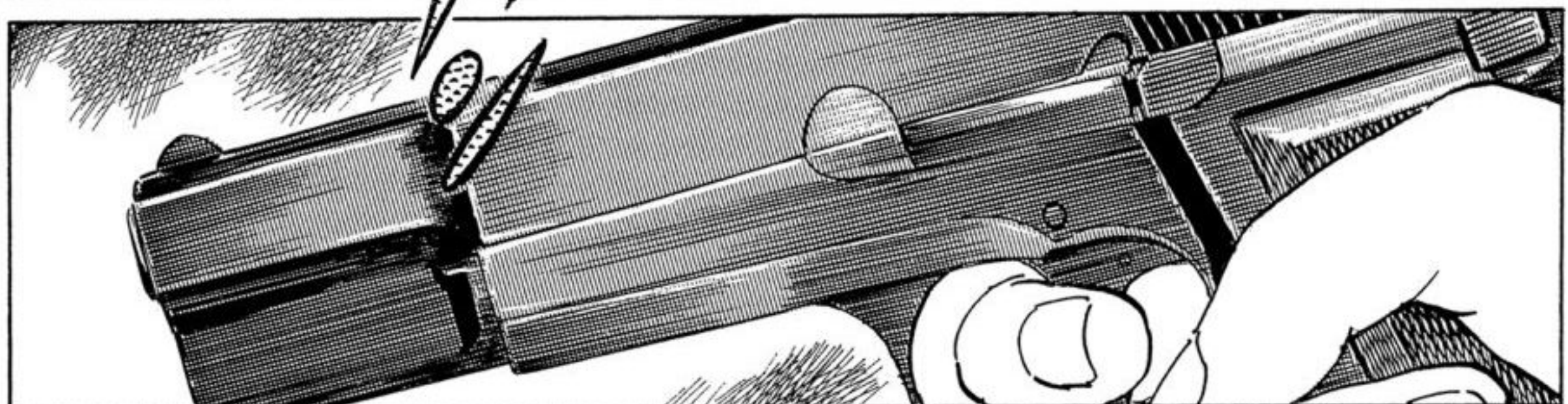


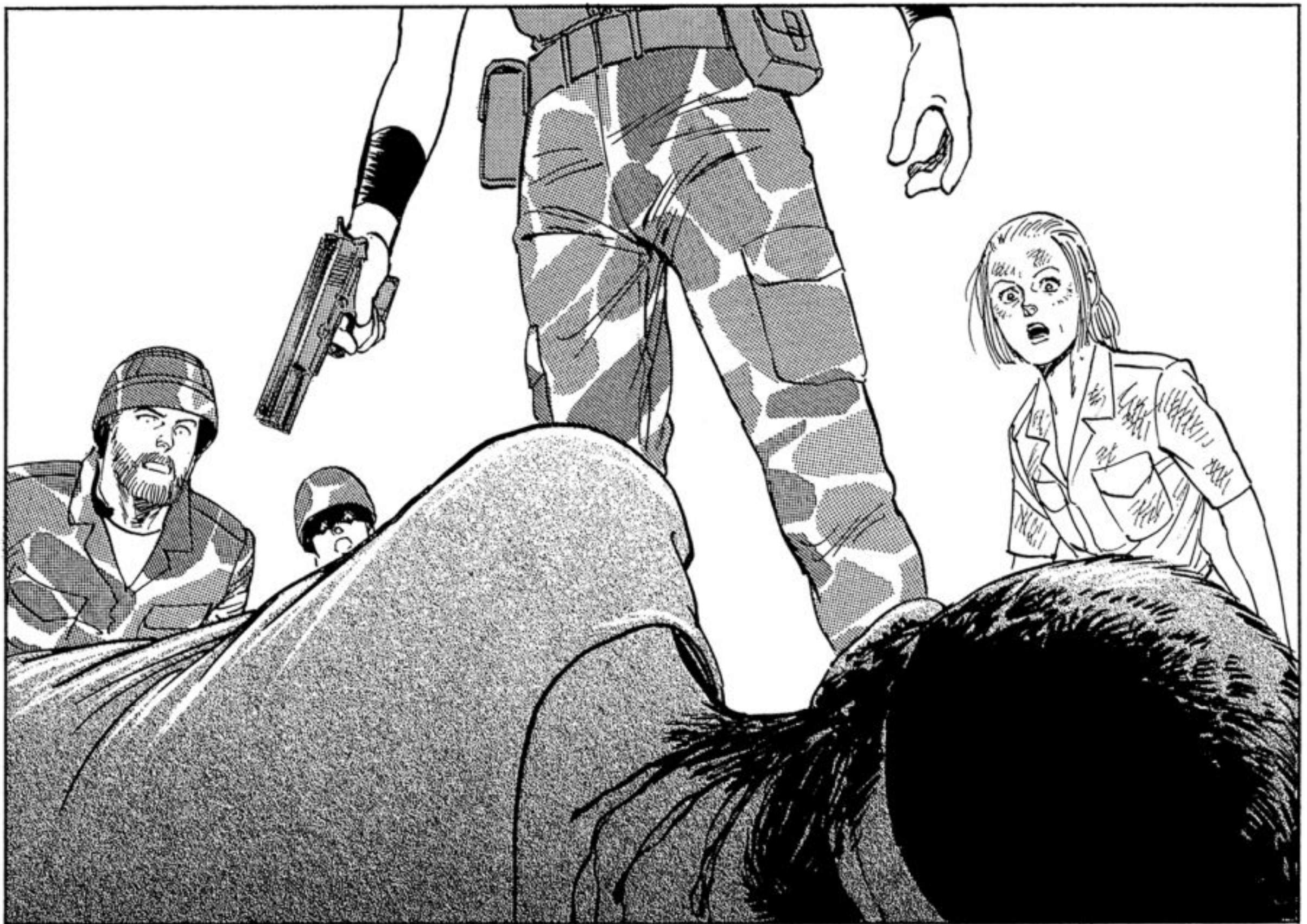


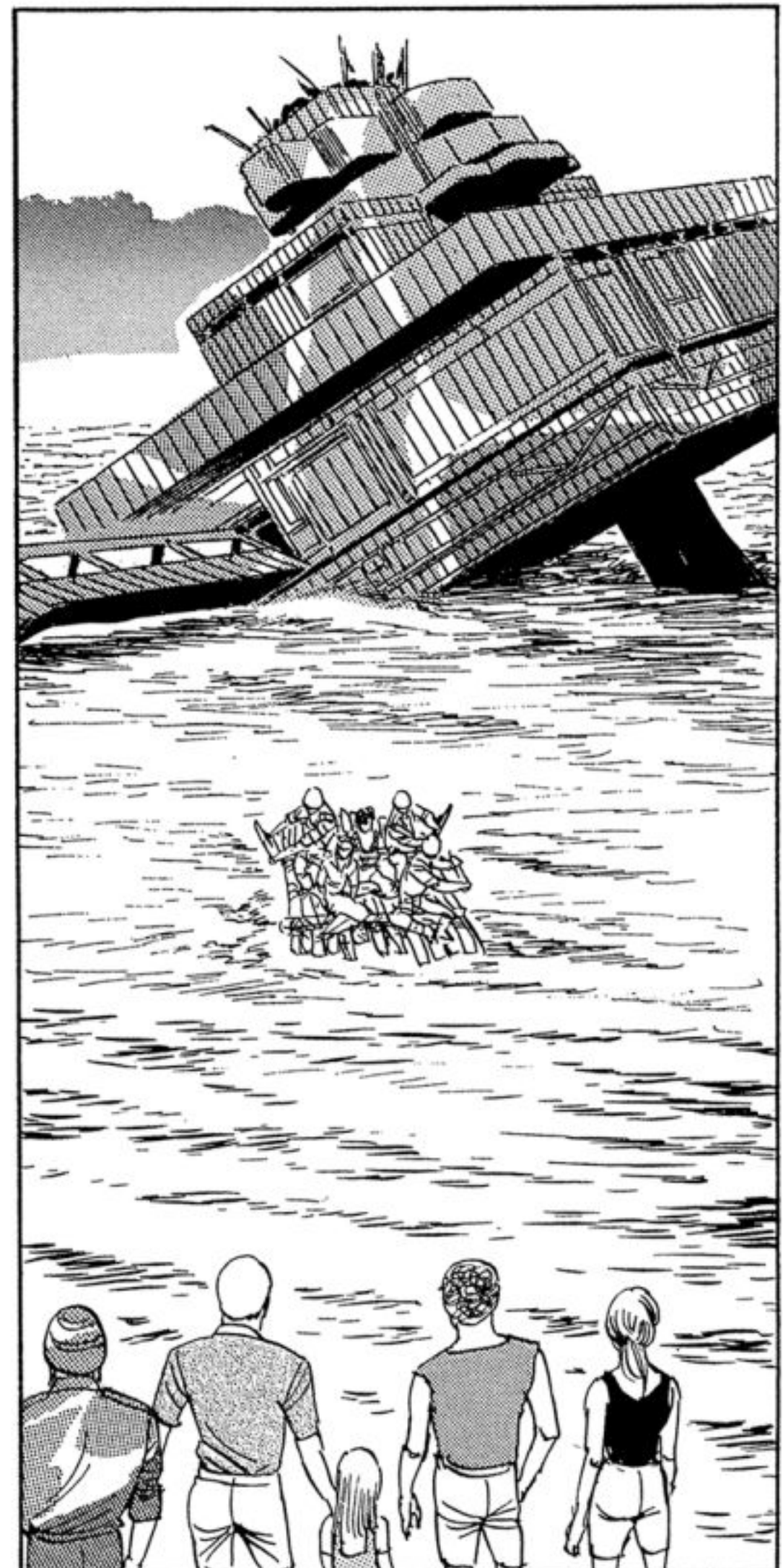
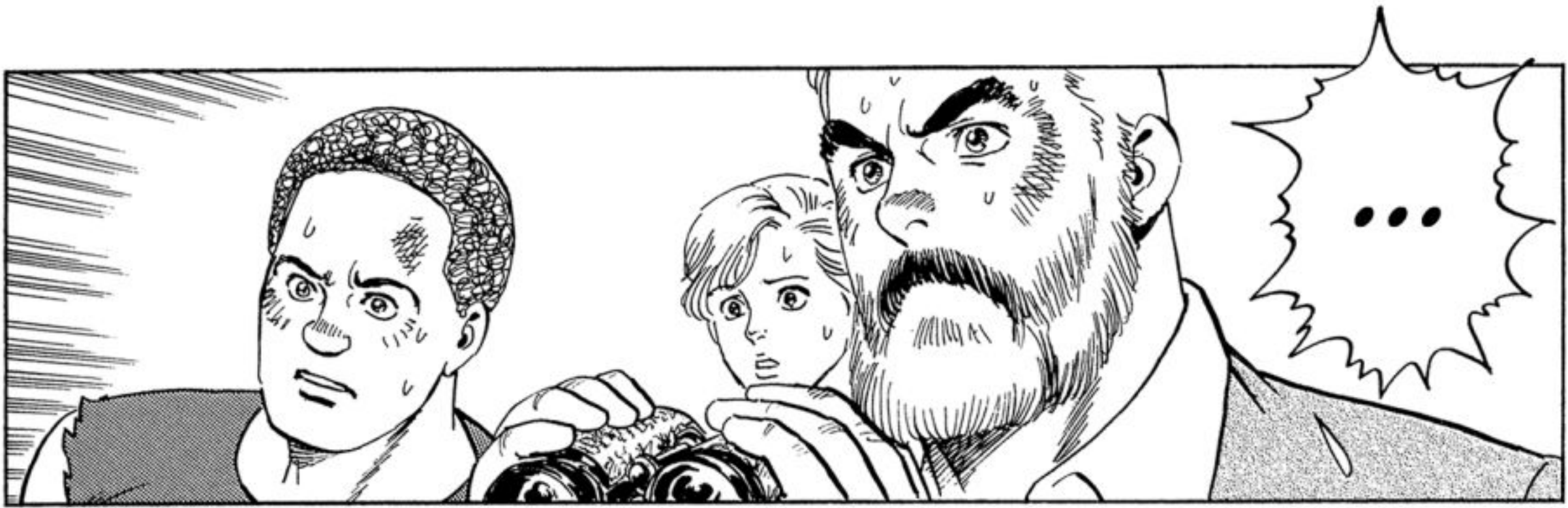




YOU GOT A LIGHT?
I MANAGED TO SCRAPE
BY WITH THE FOOD LEFT
IN THE BASE, BUT HAVEN'T
HAD A SMOKE SINCE...
WHAT HAPPENED BACK
THERE, ANYWAY?





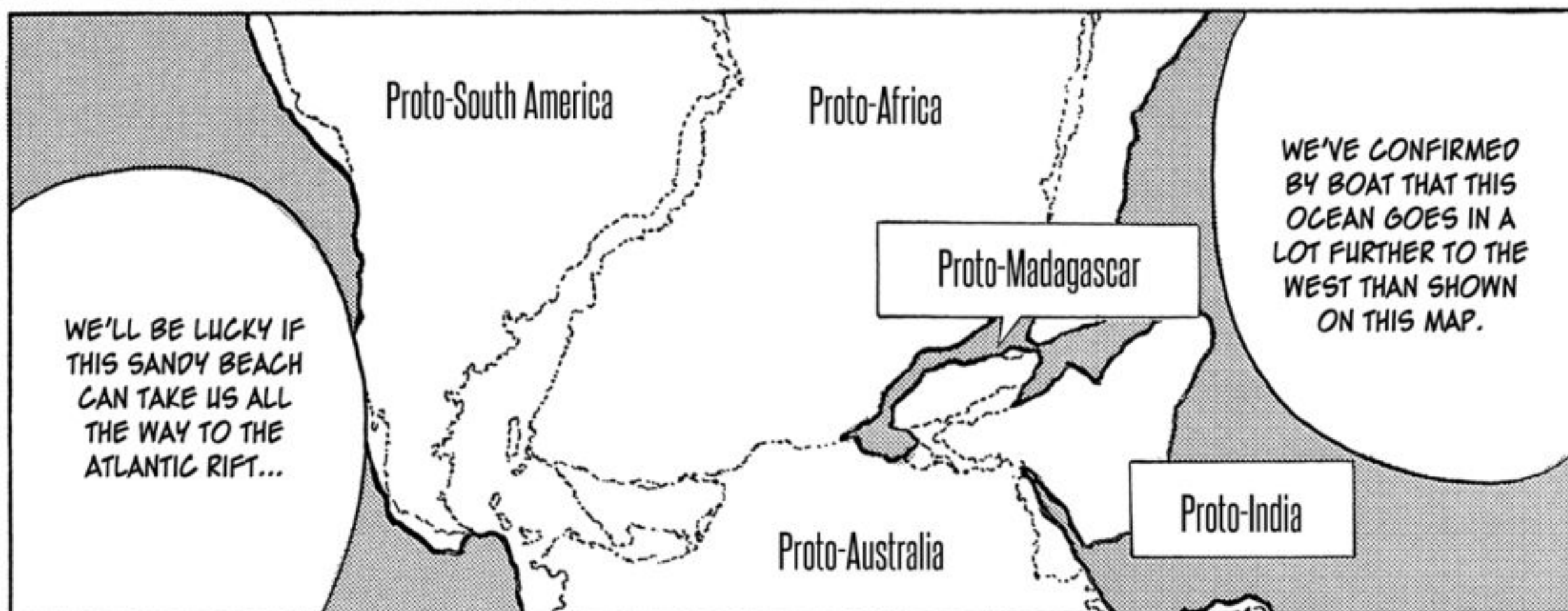


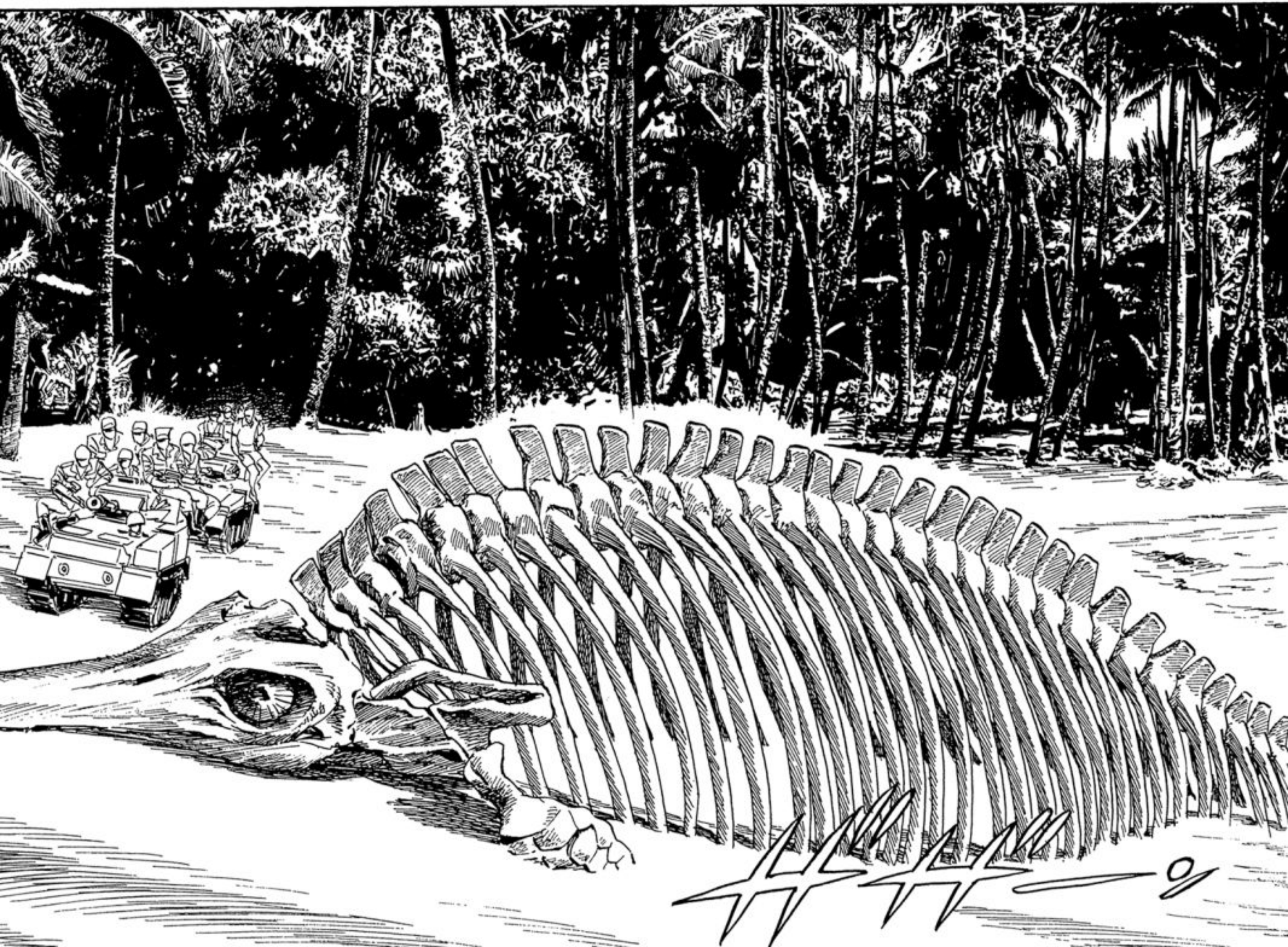


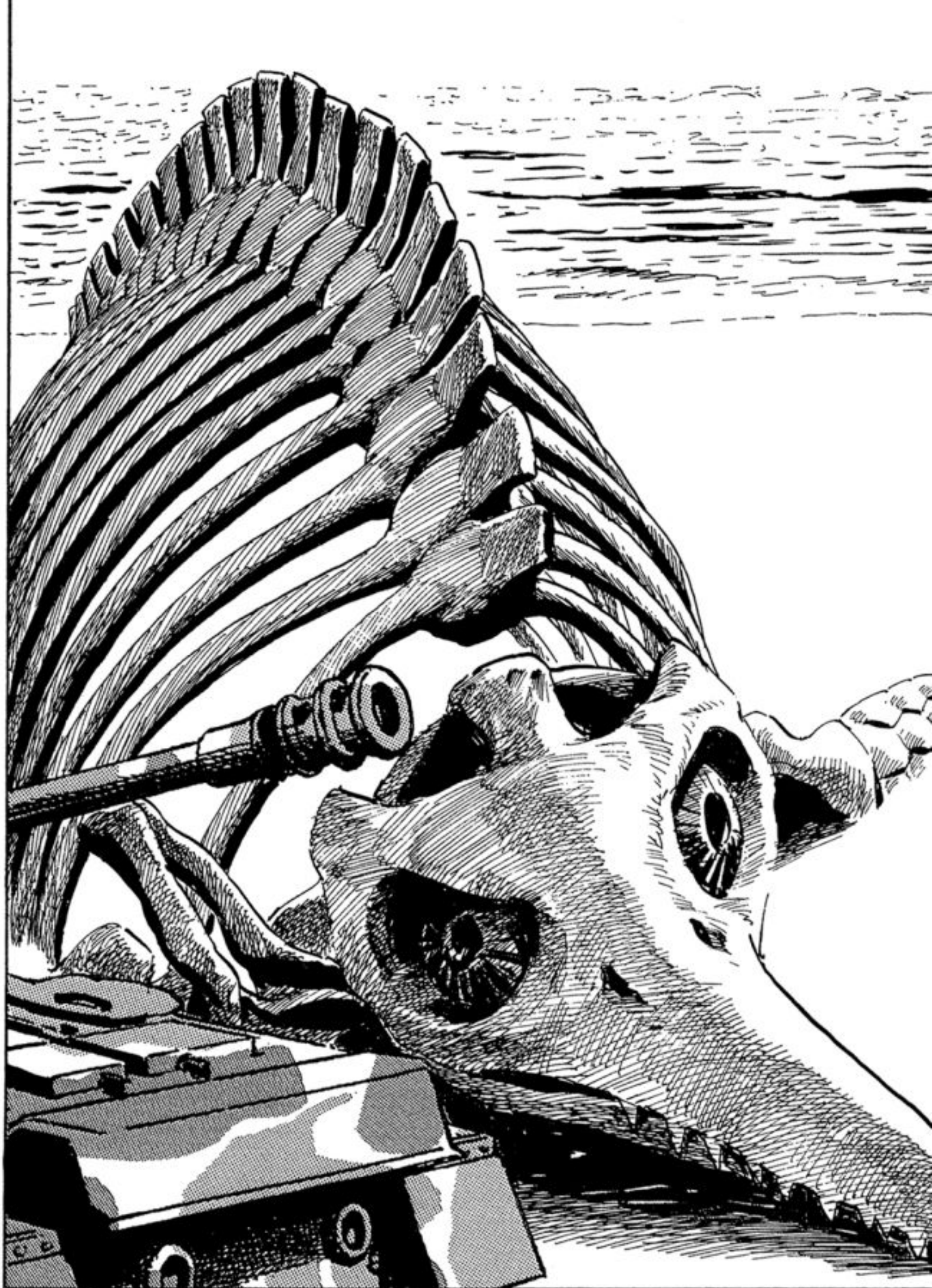
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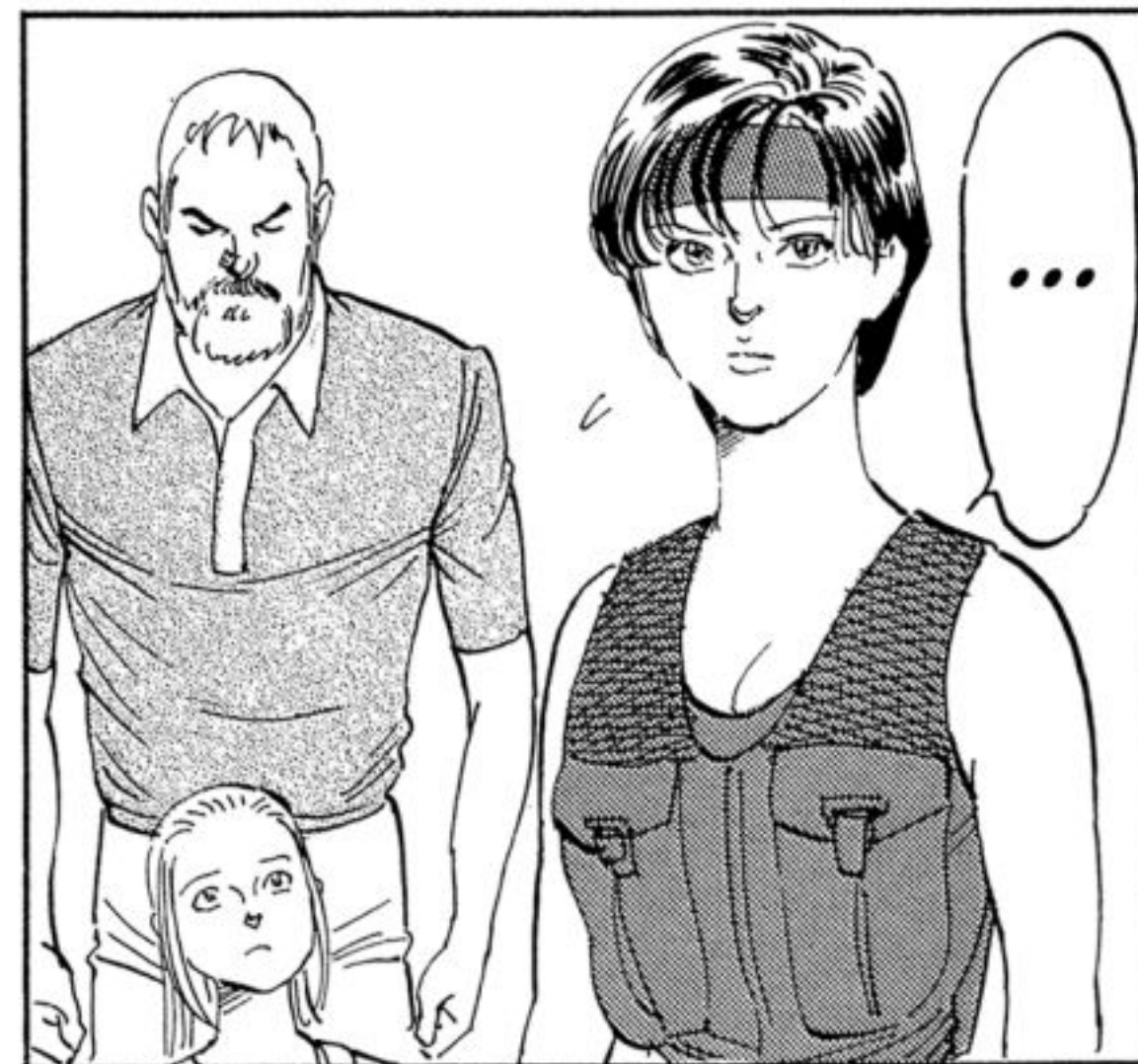
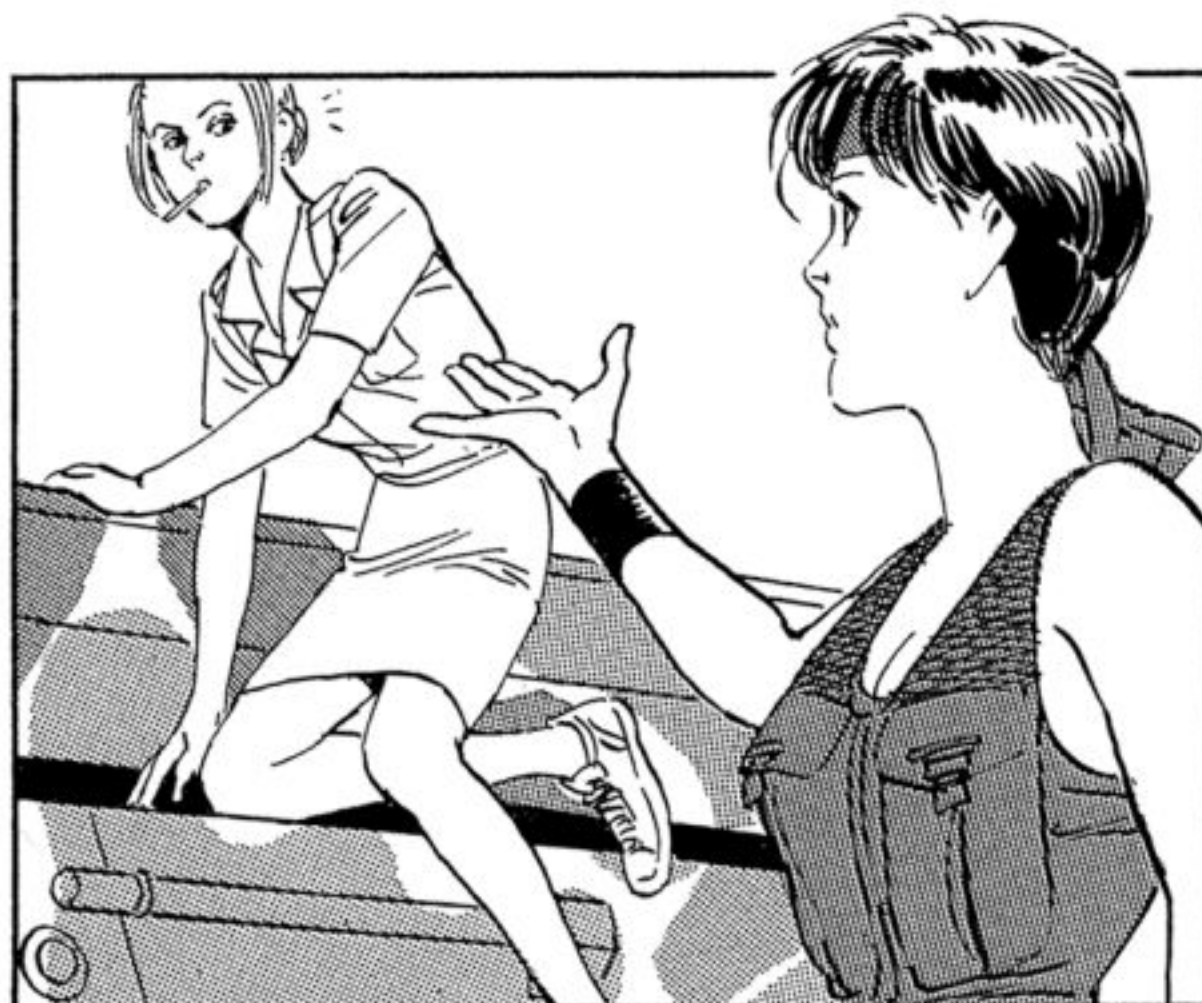
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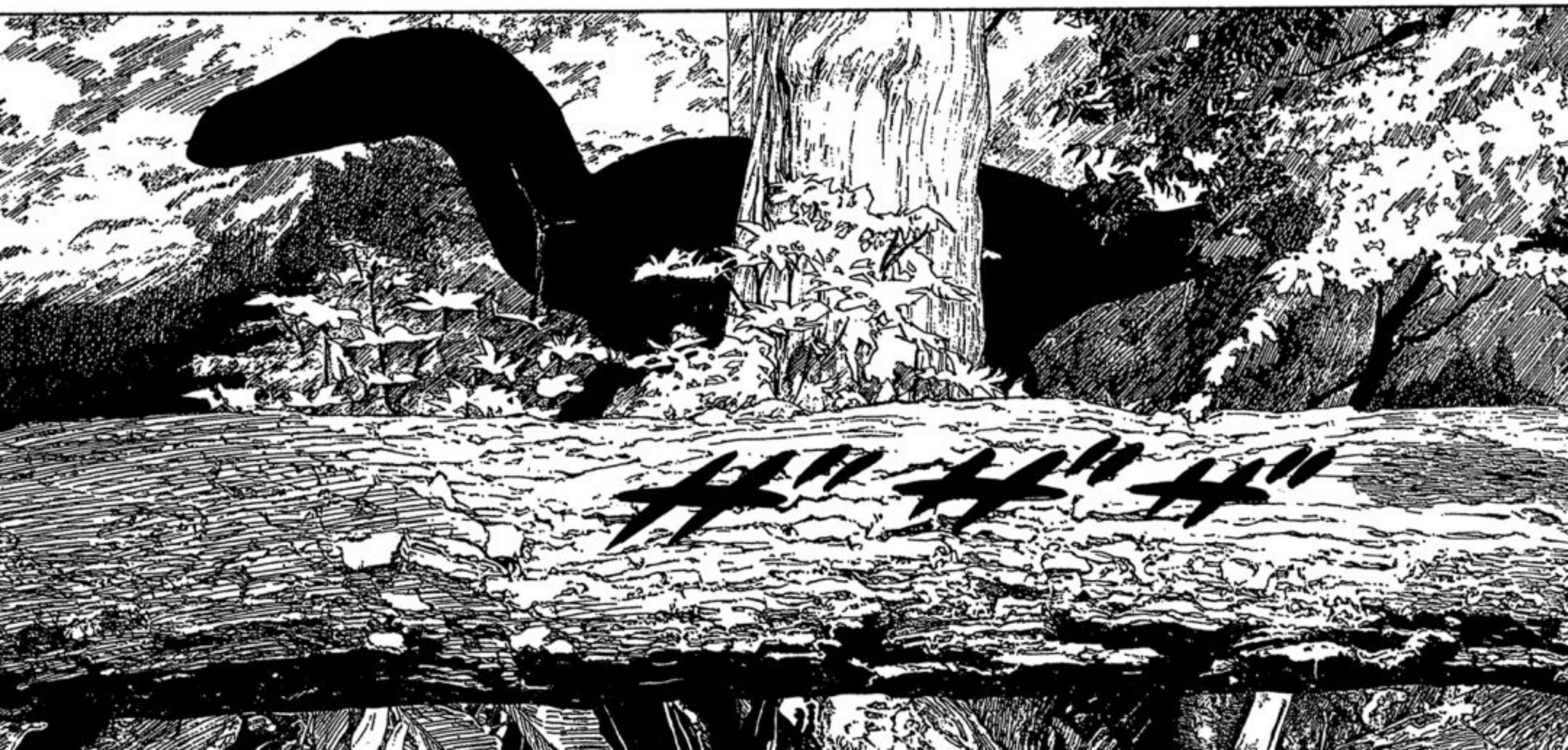
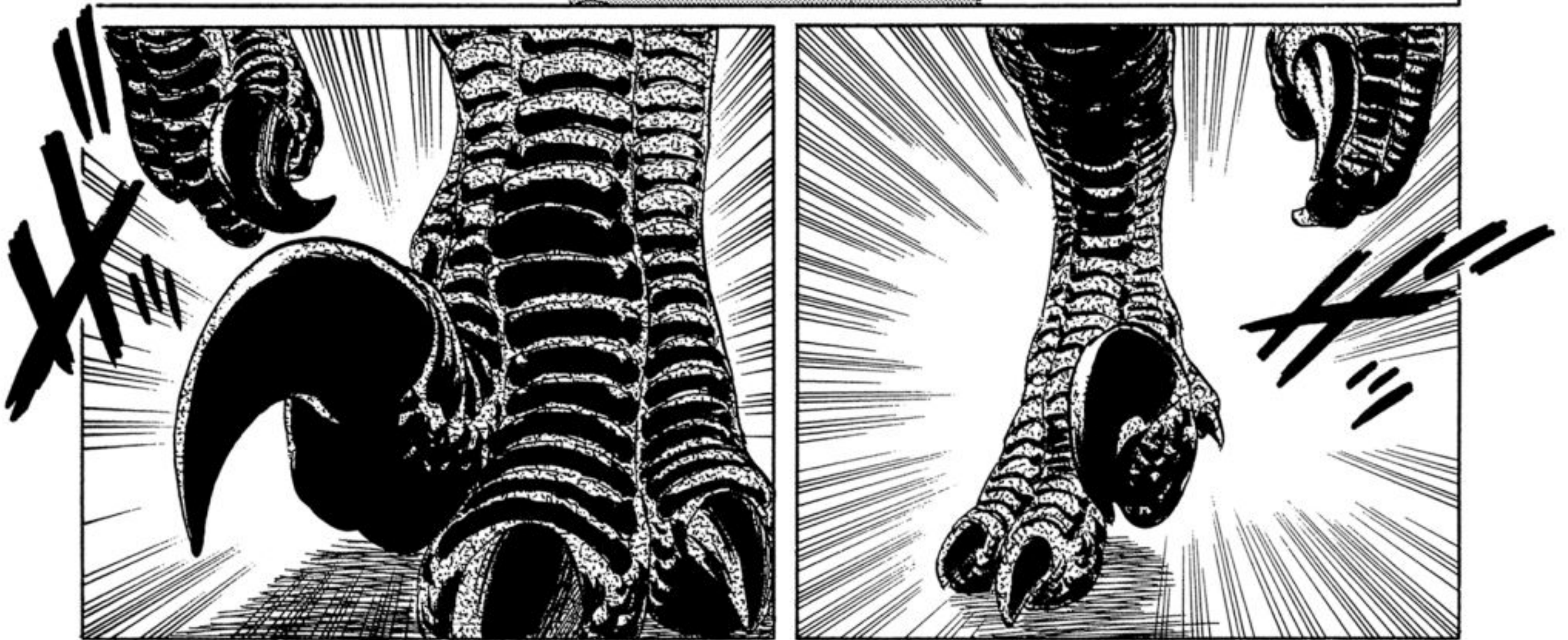


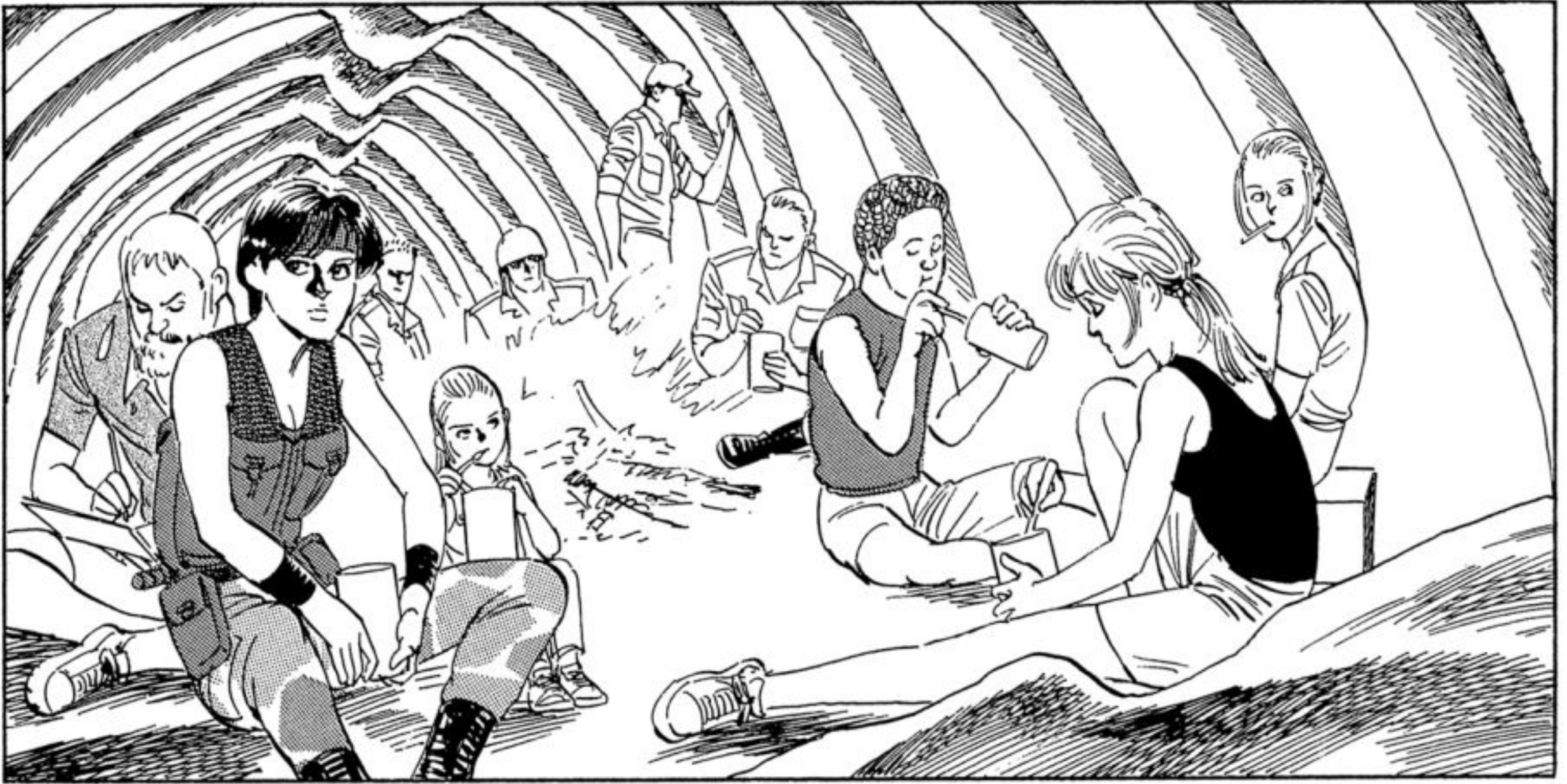
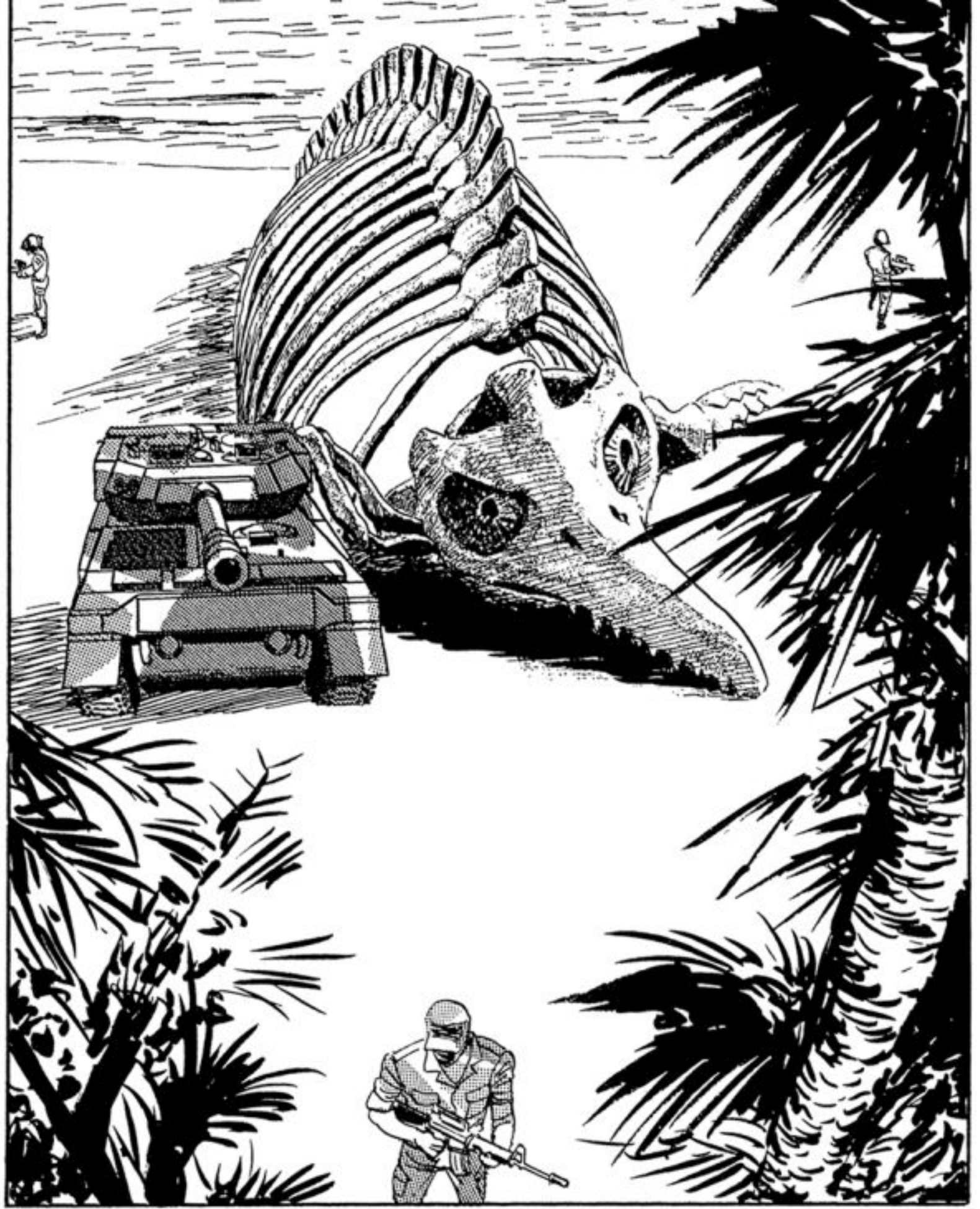


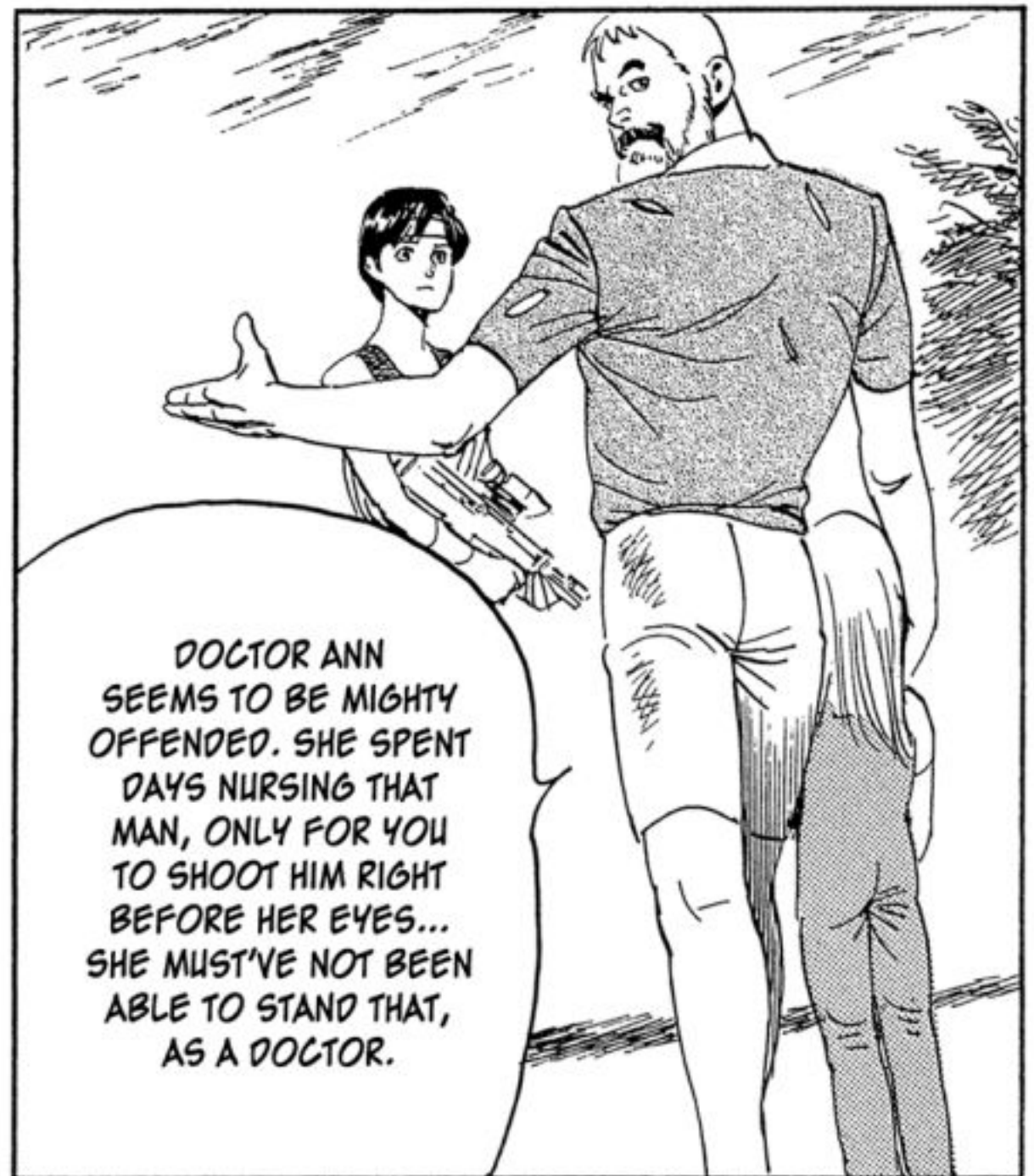
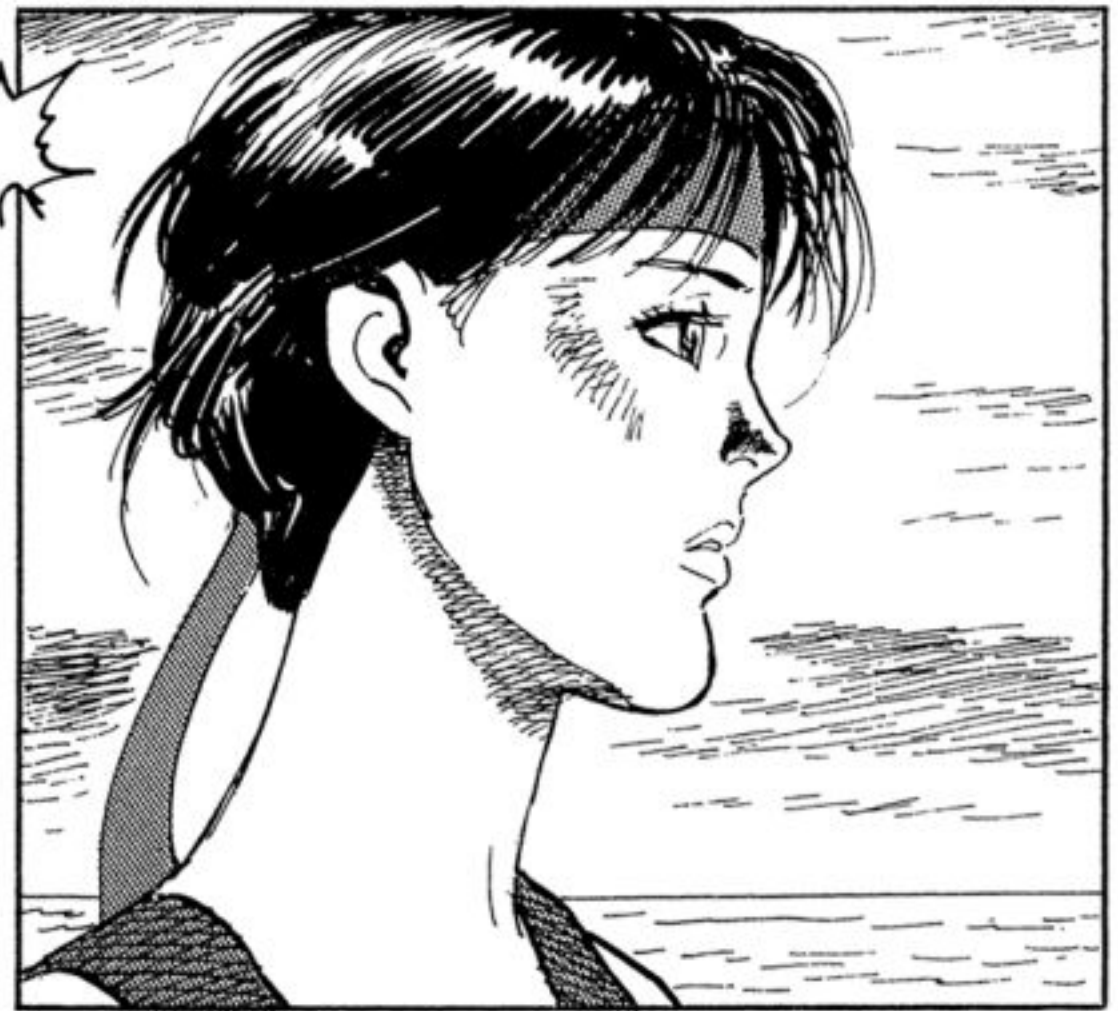
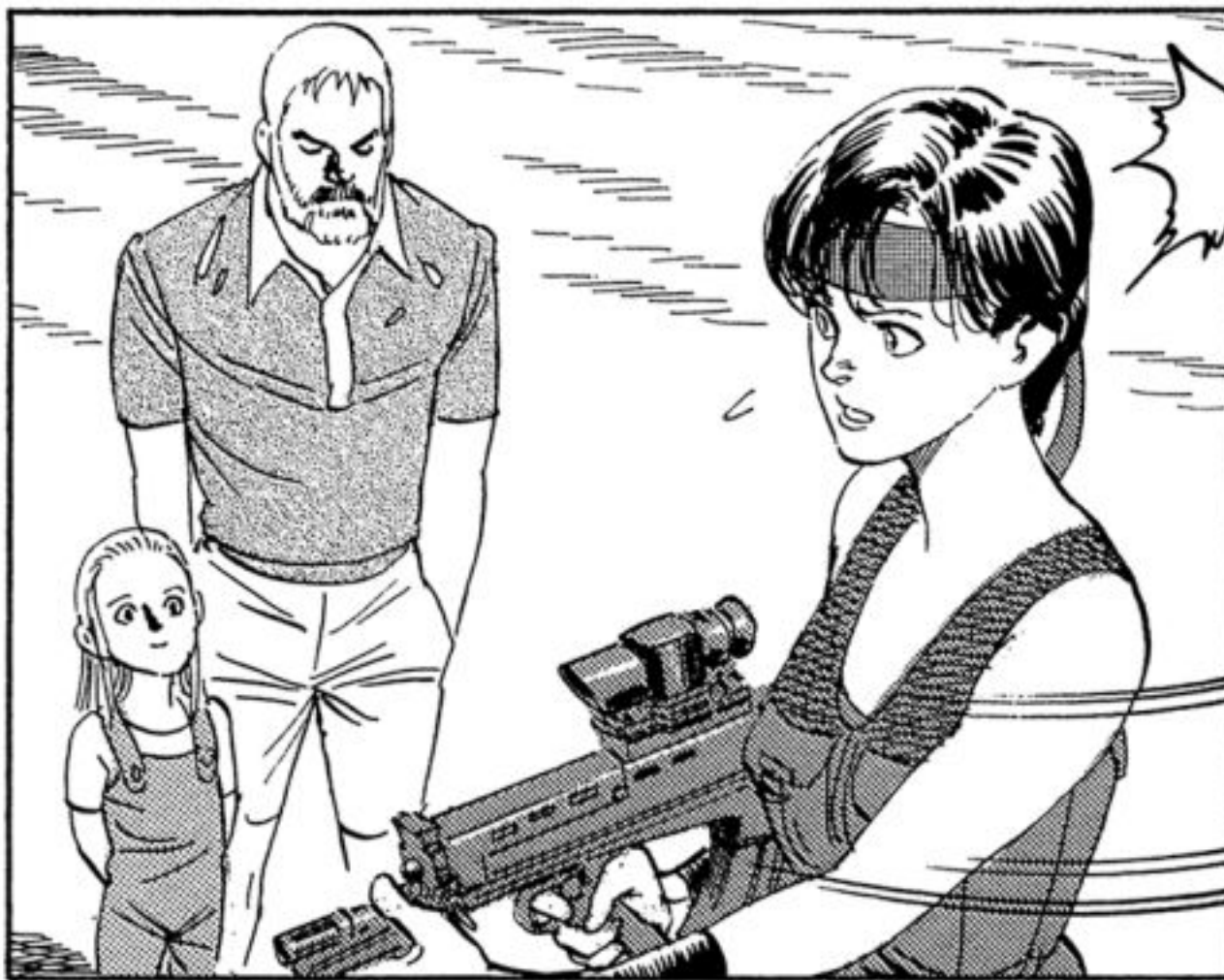
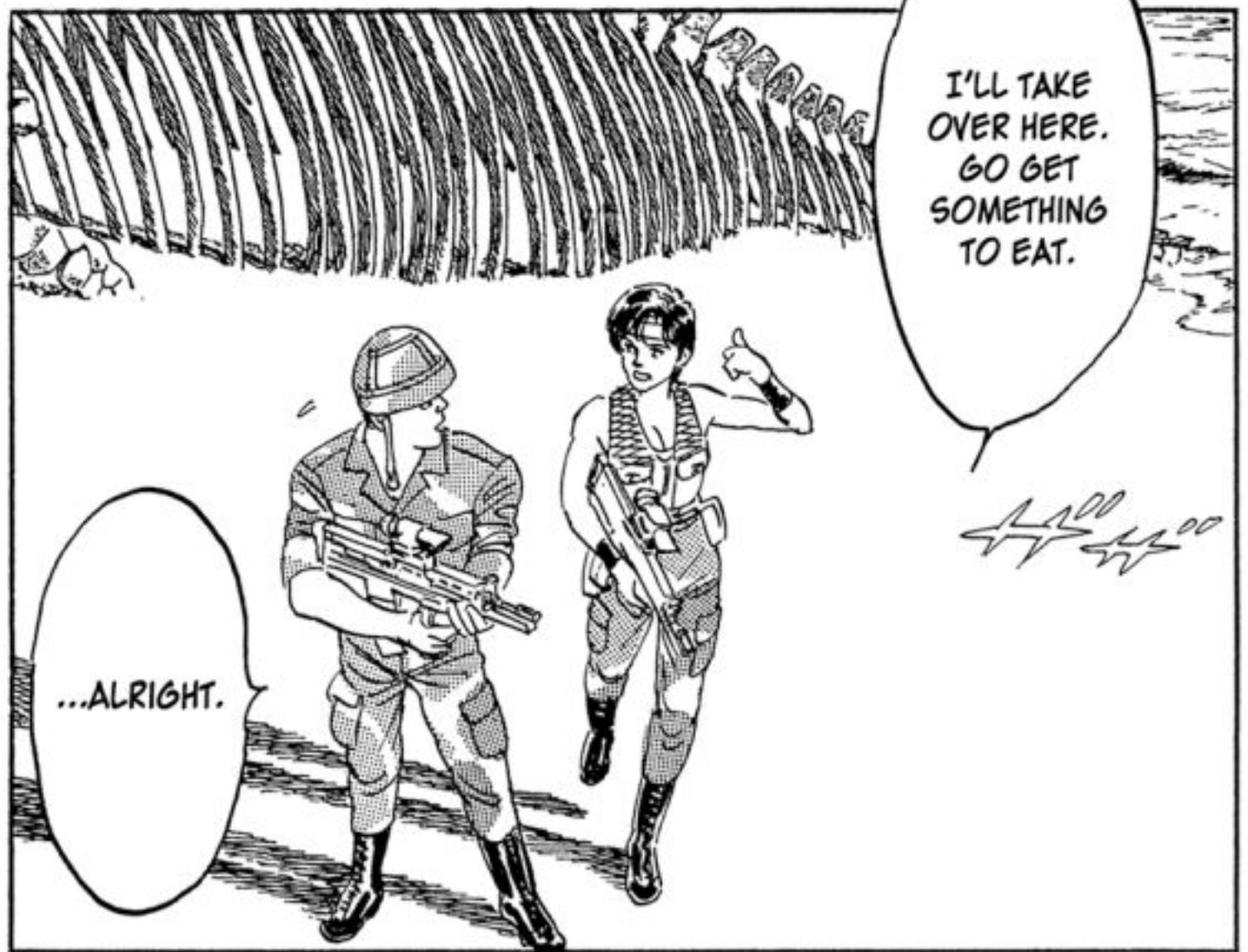


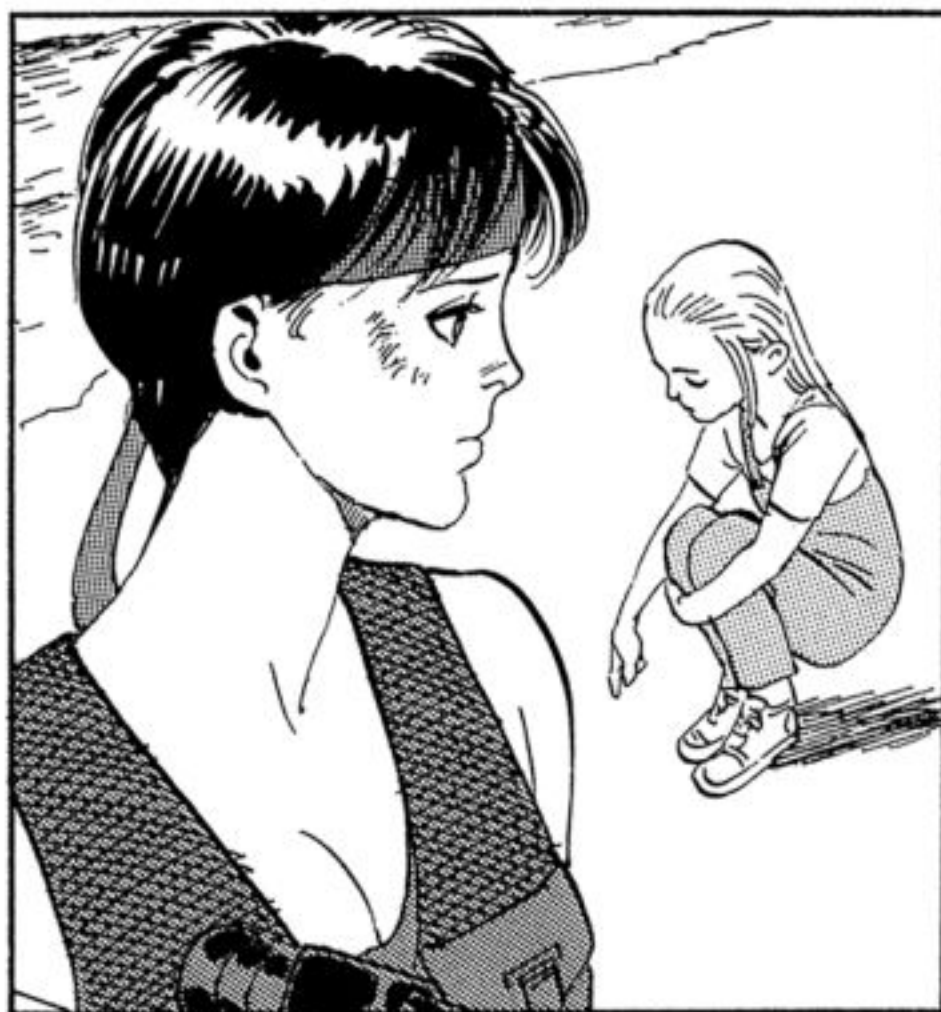


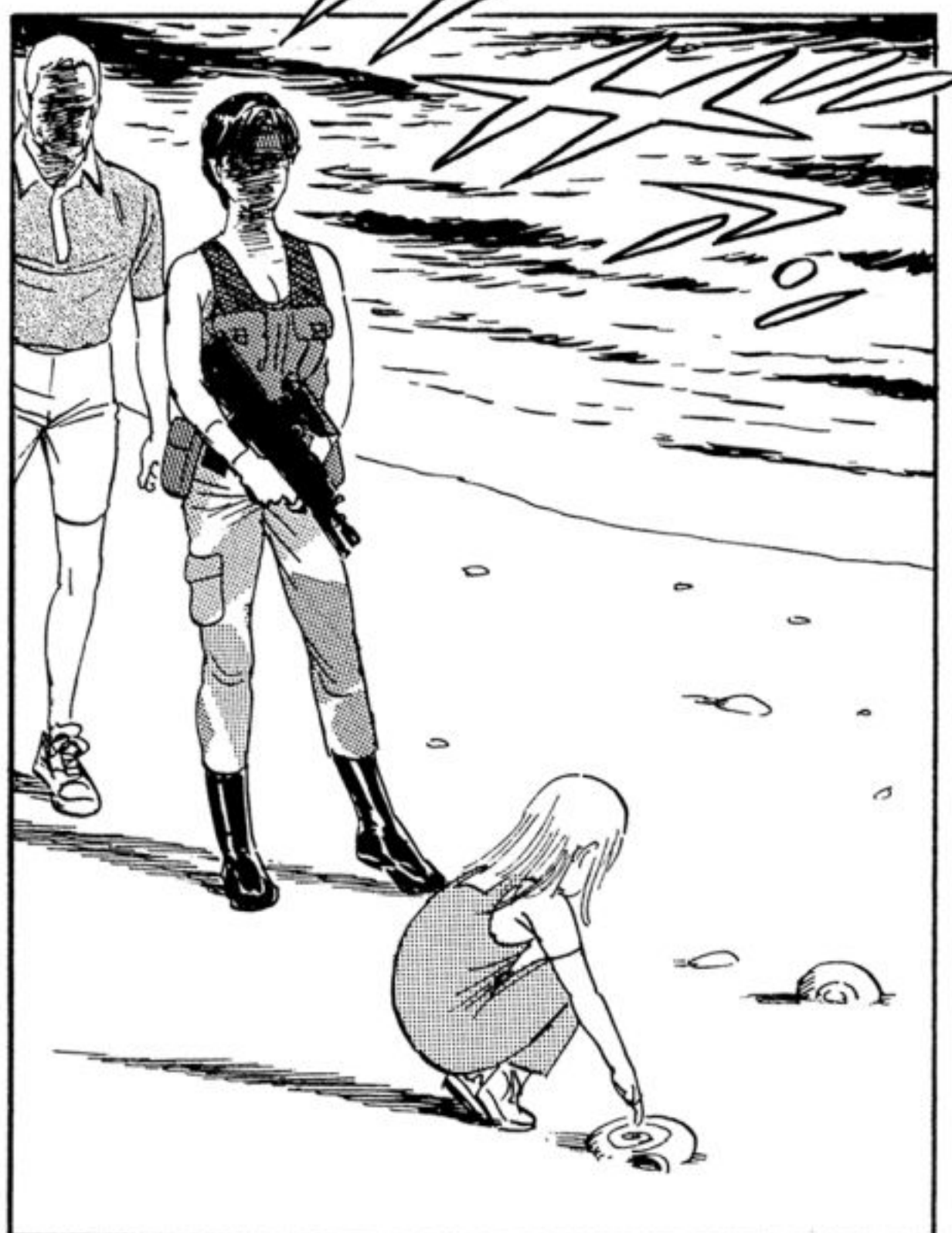
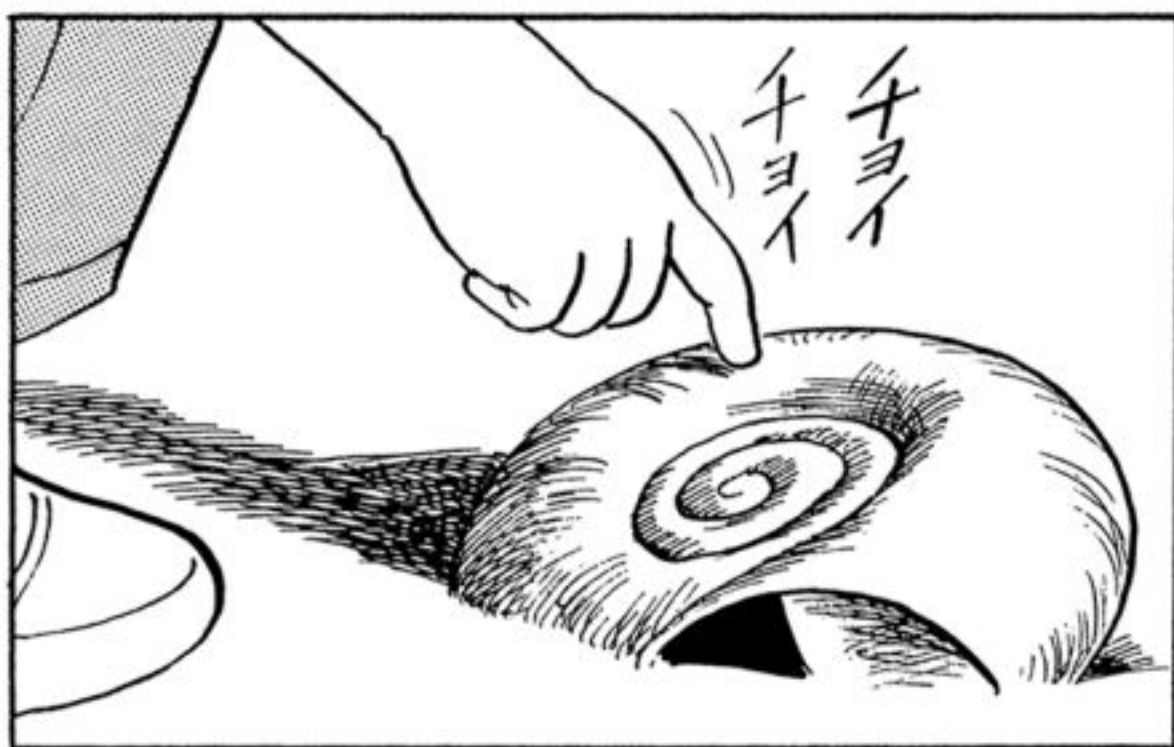


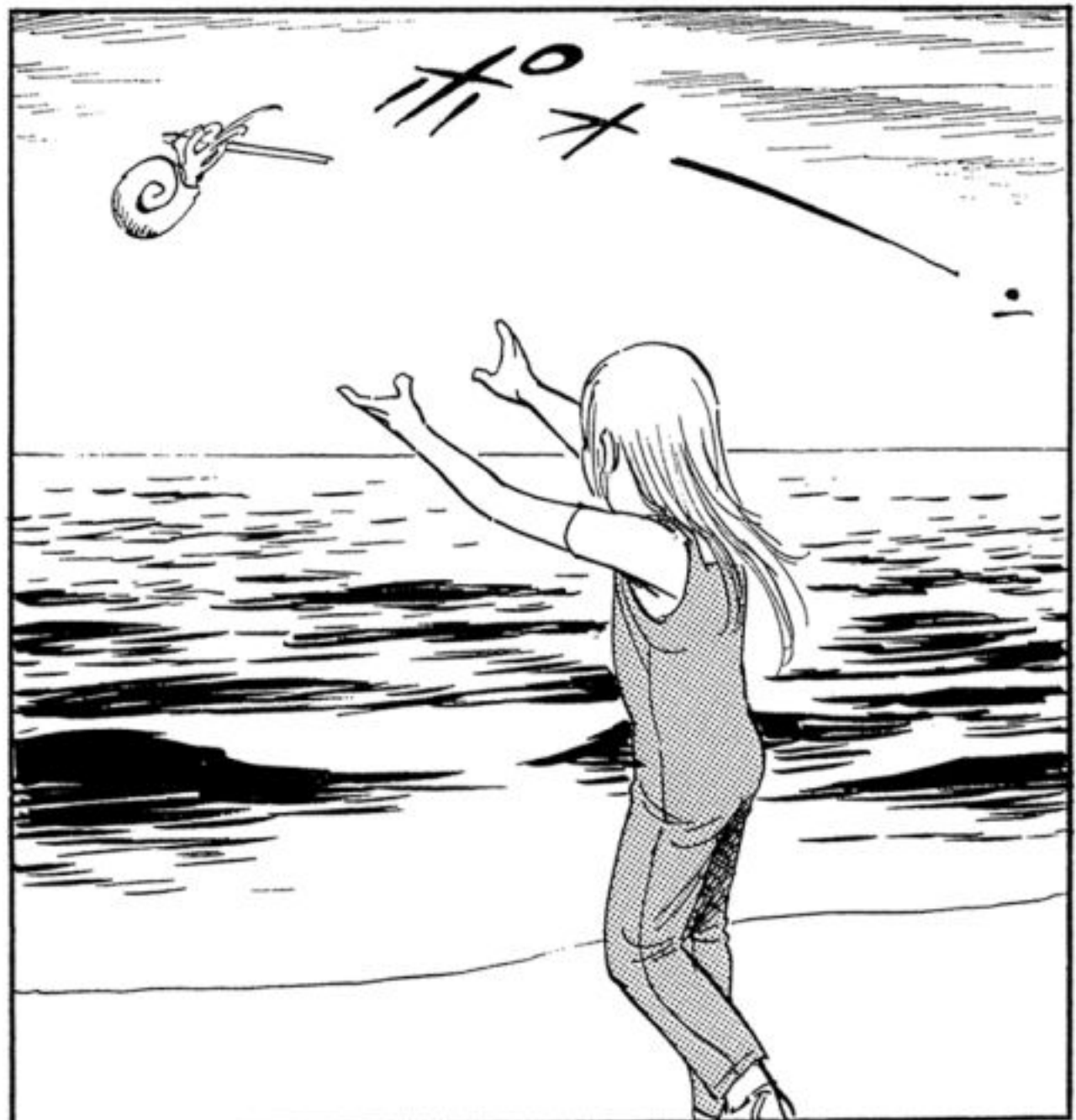
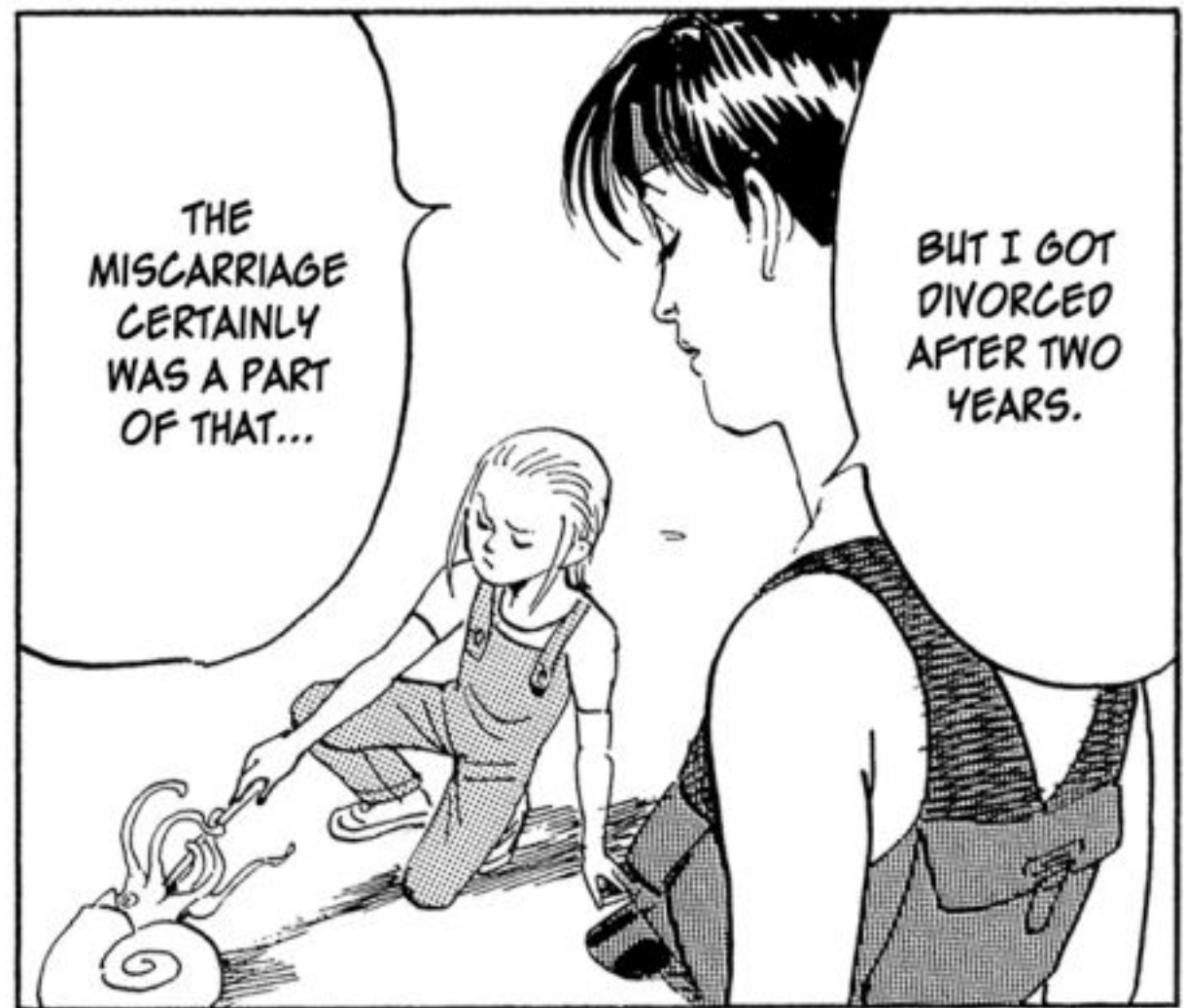
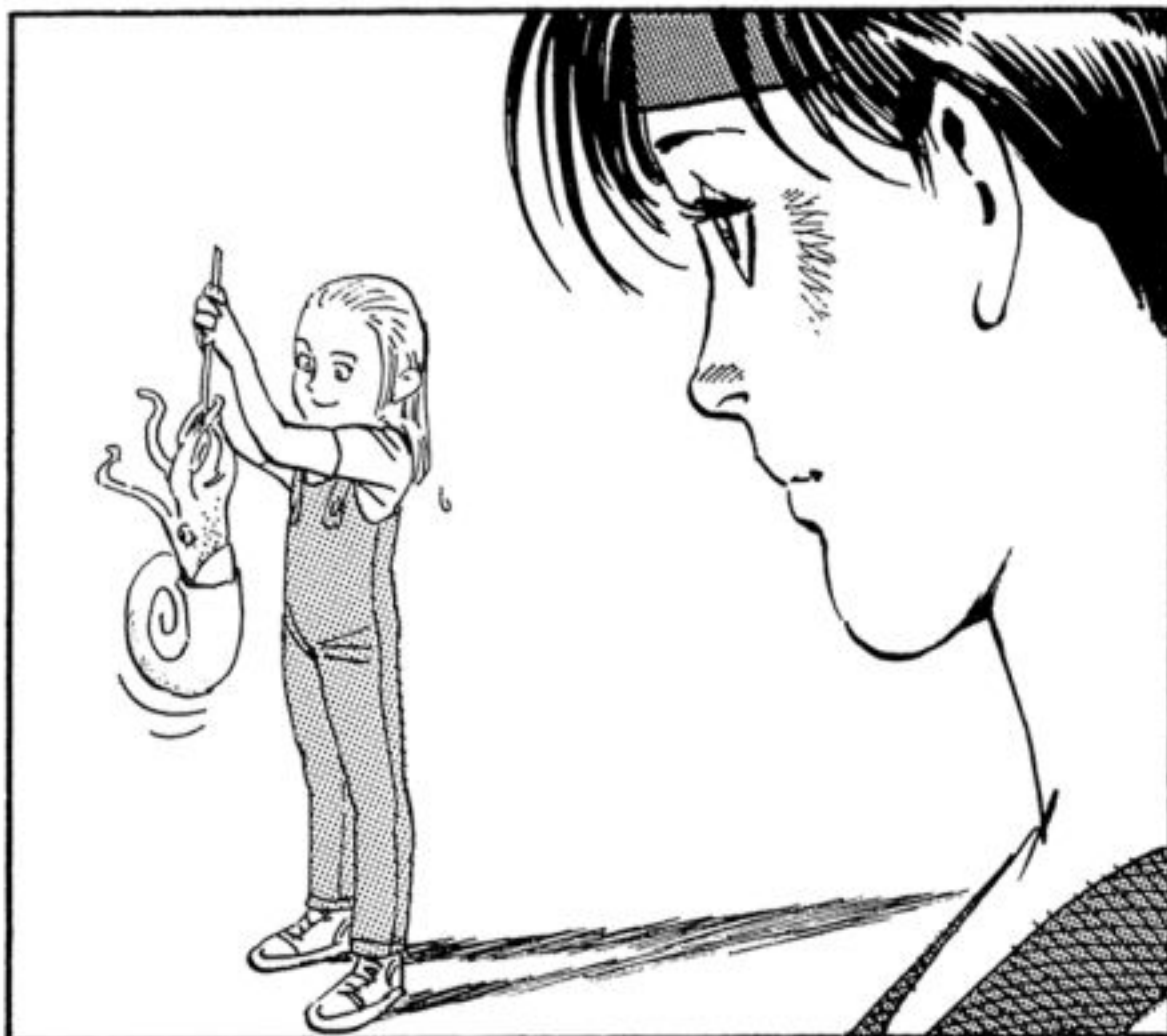










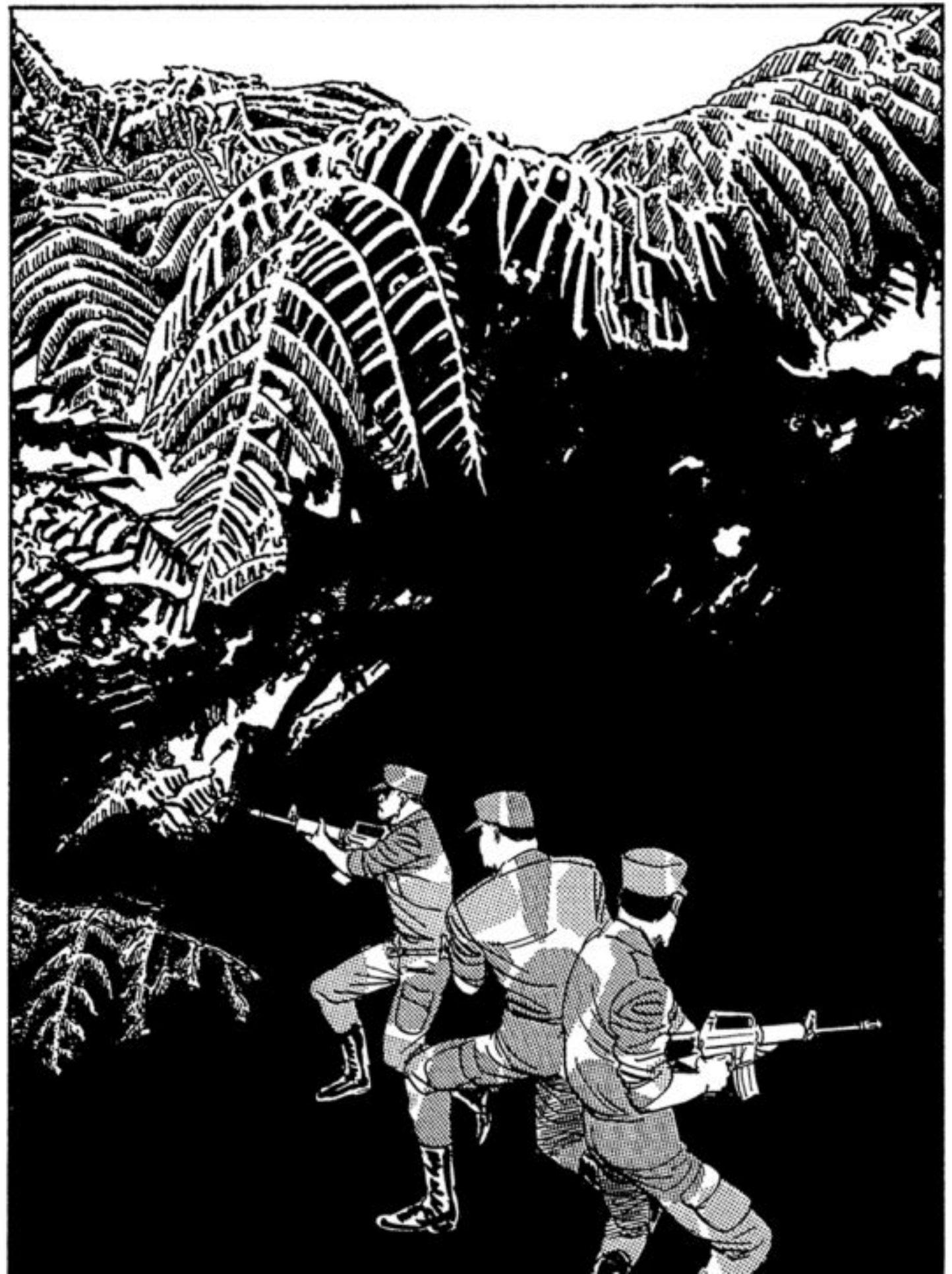
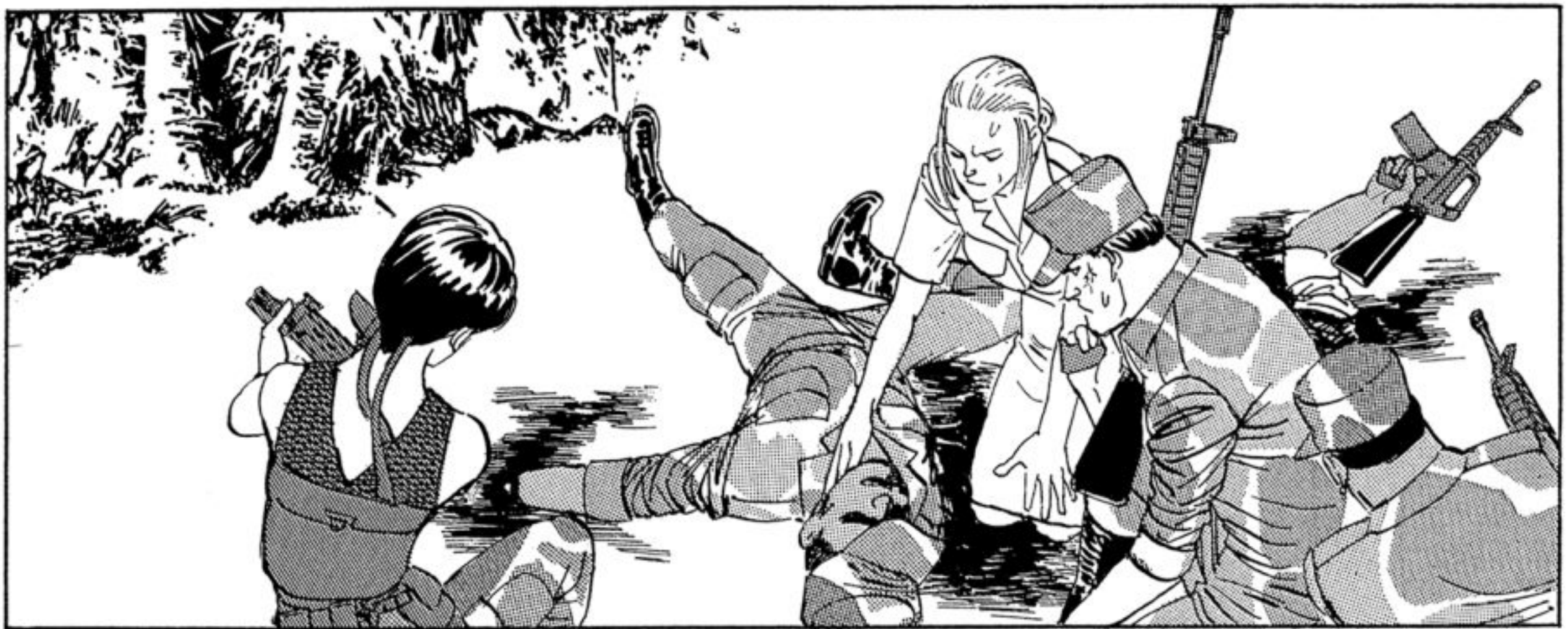


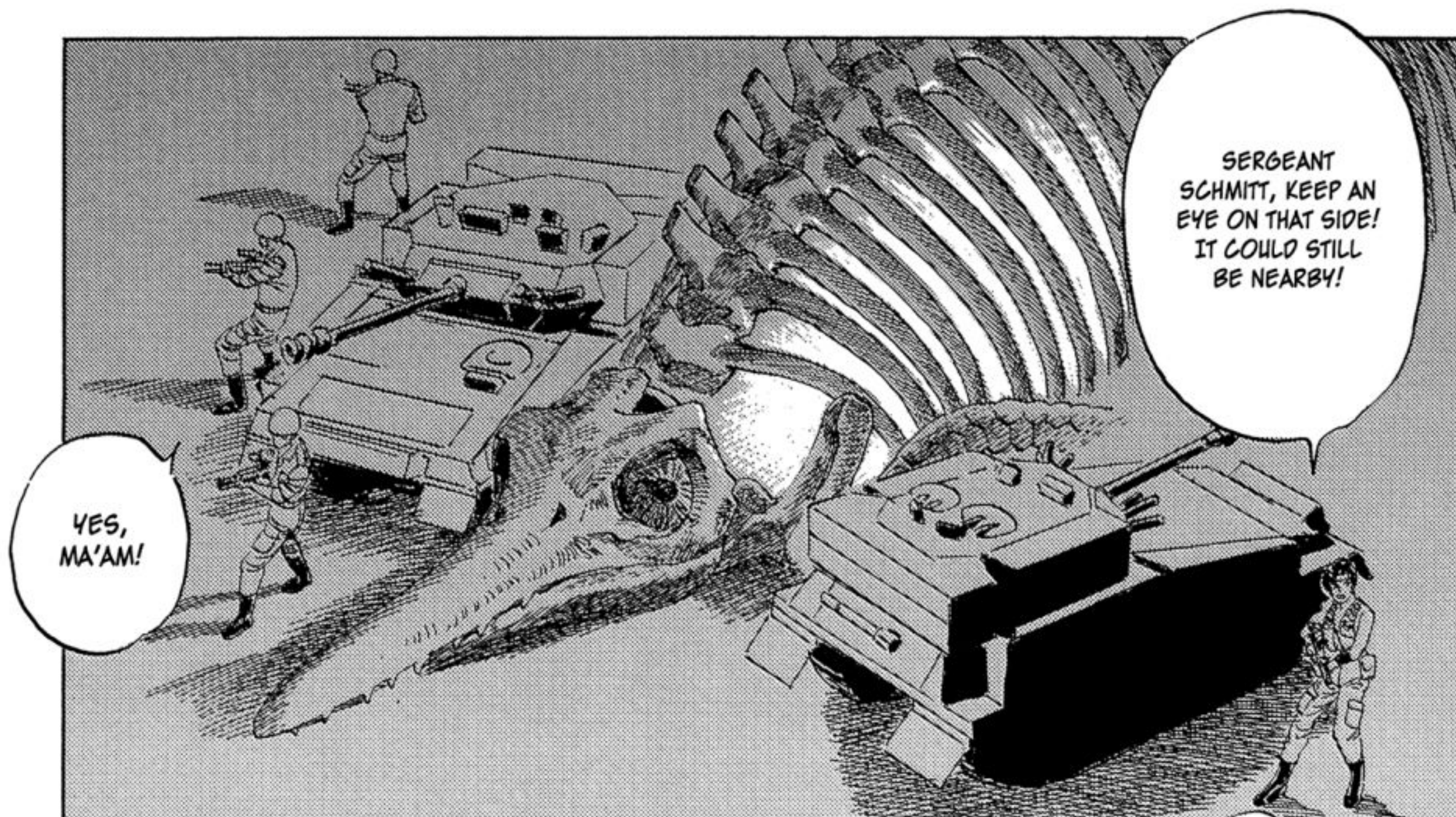








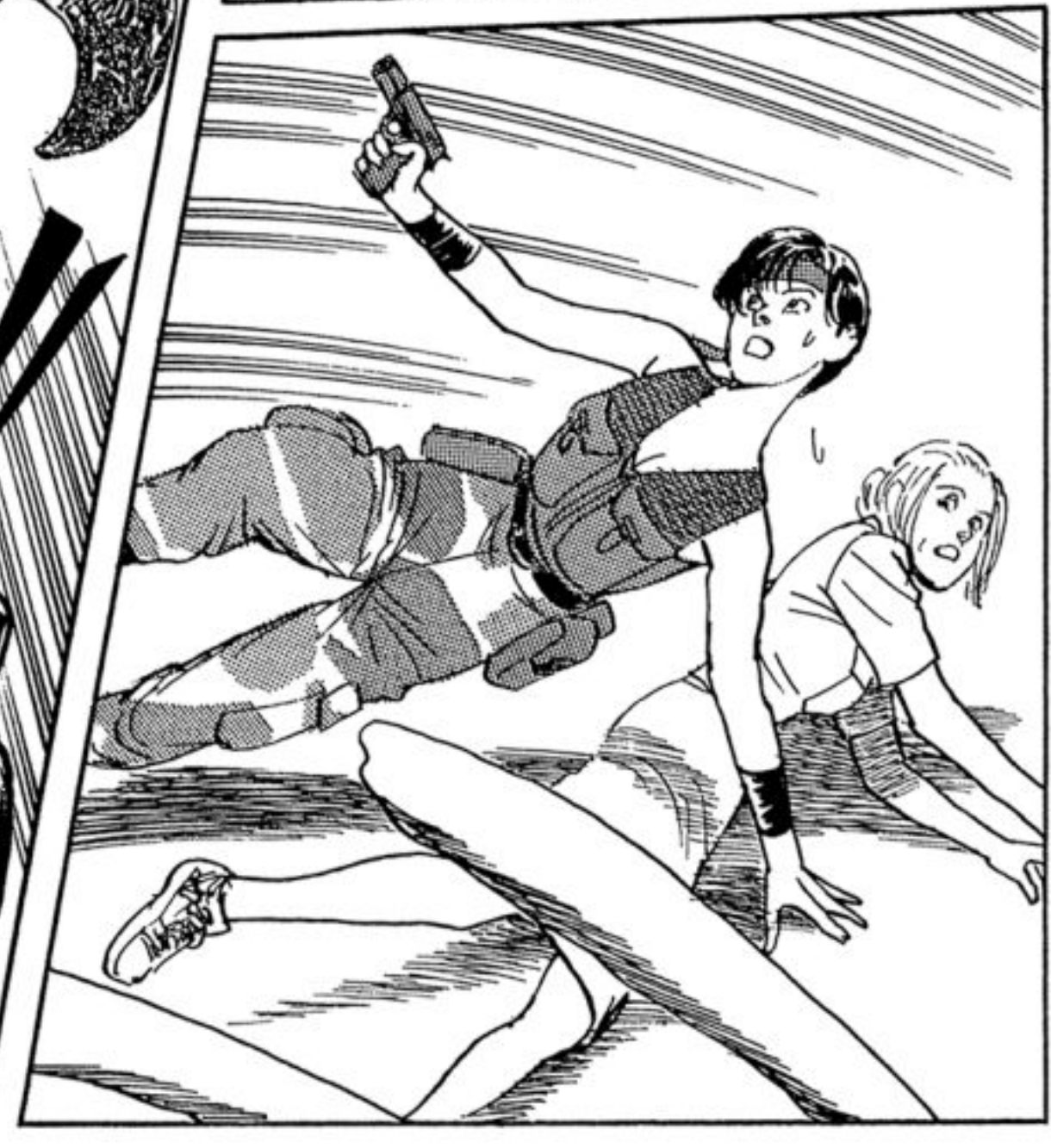
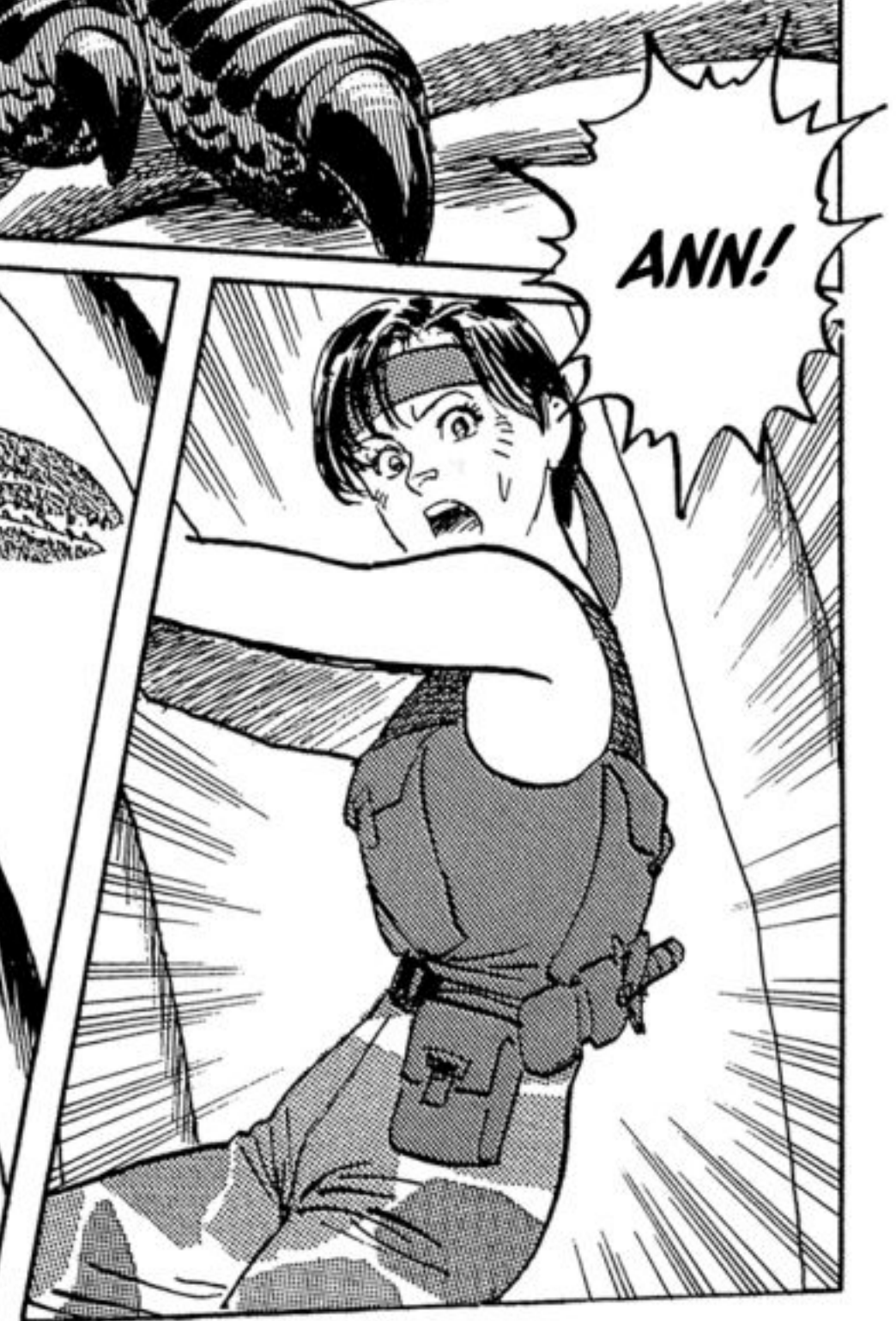
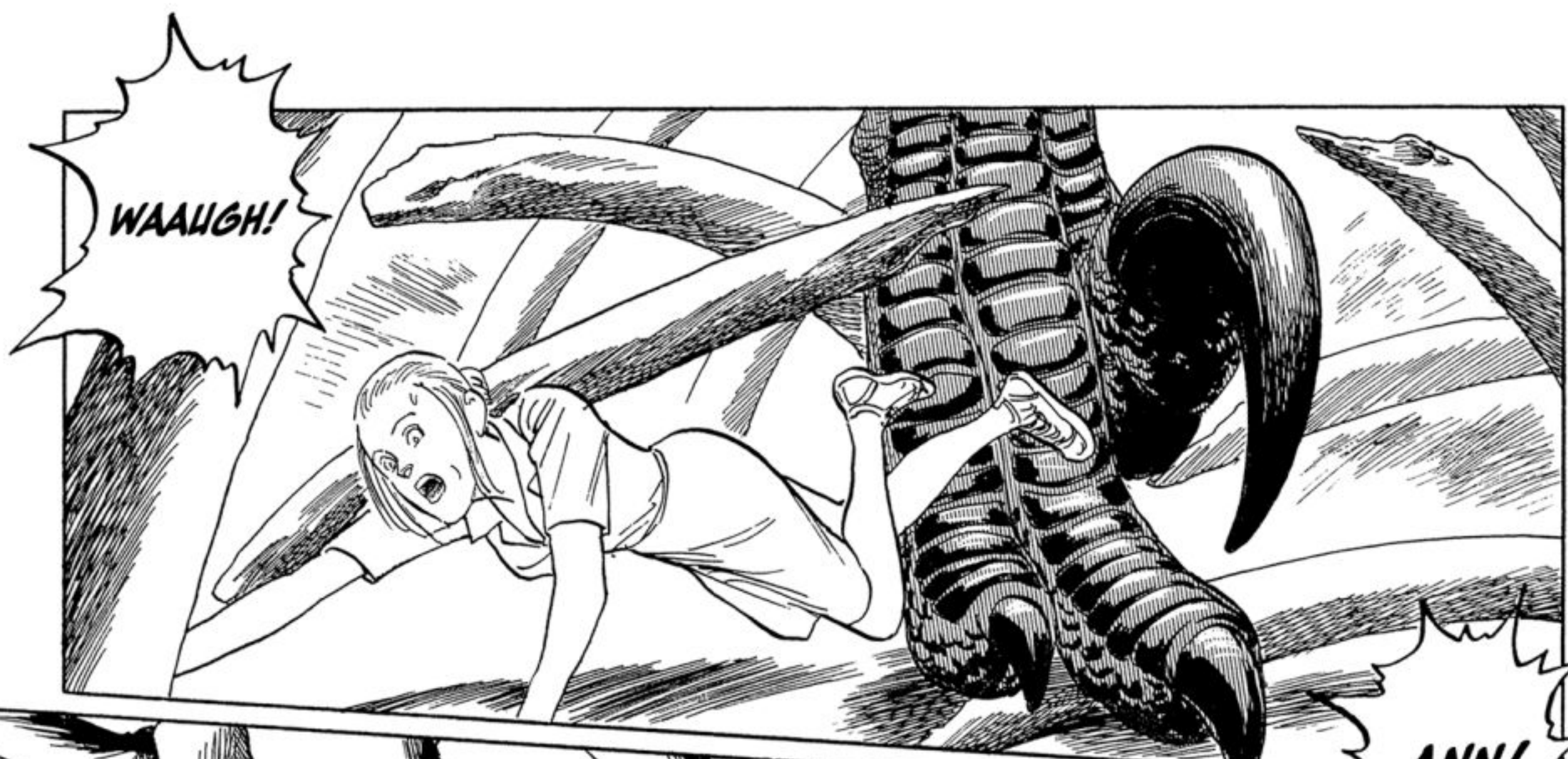


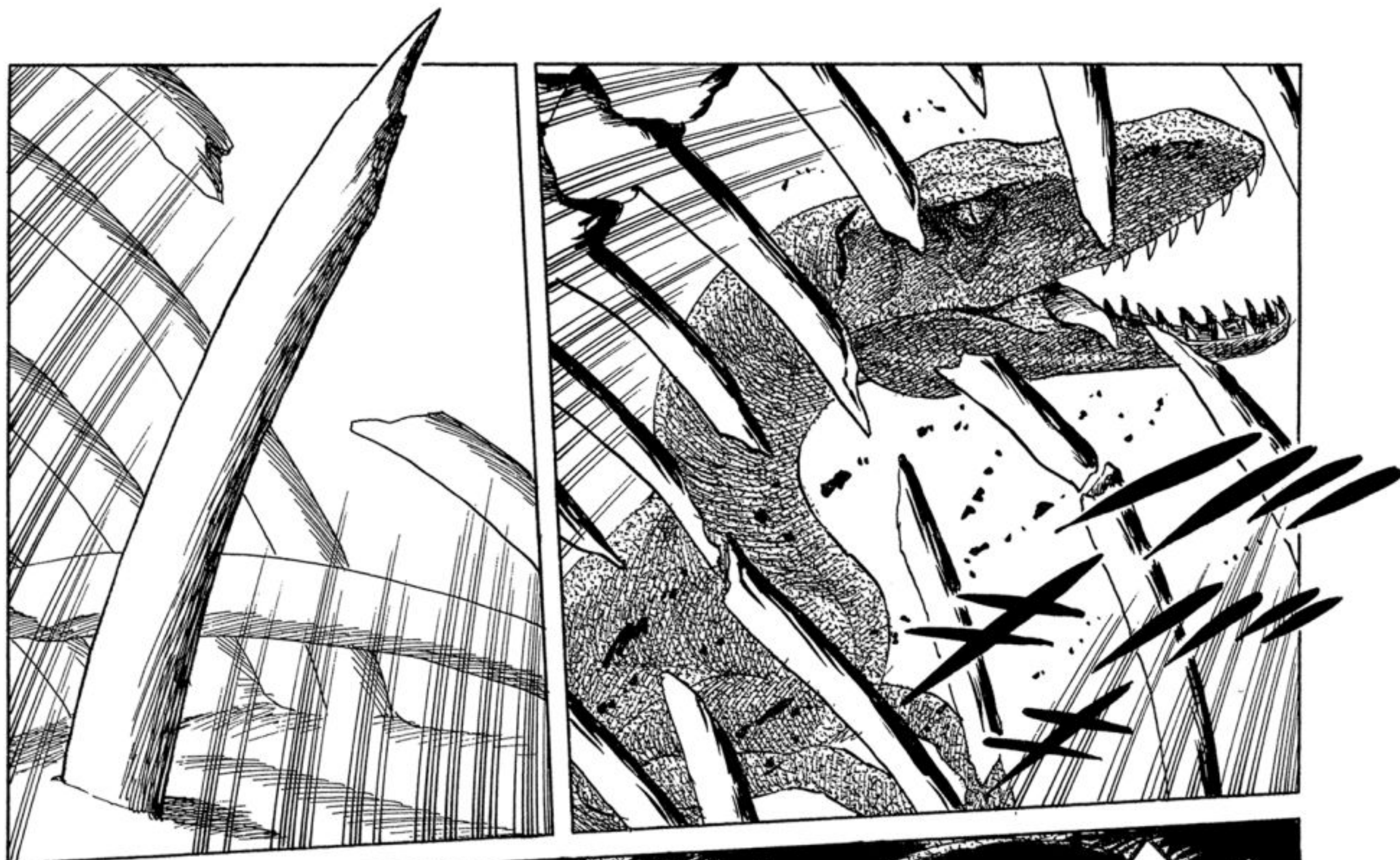


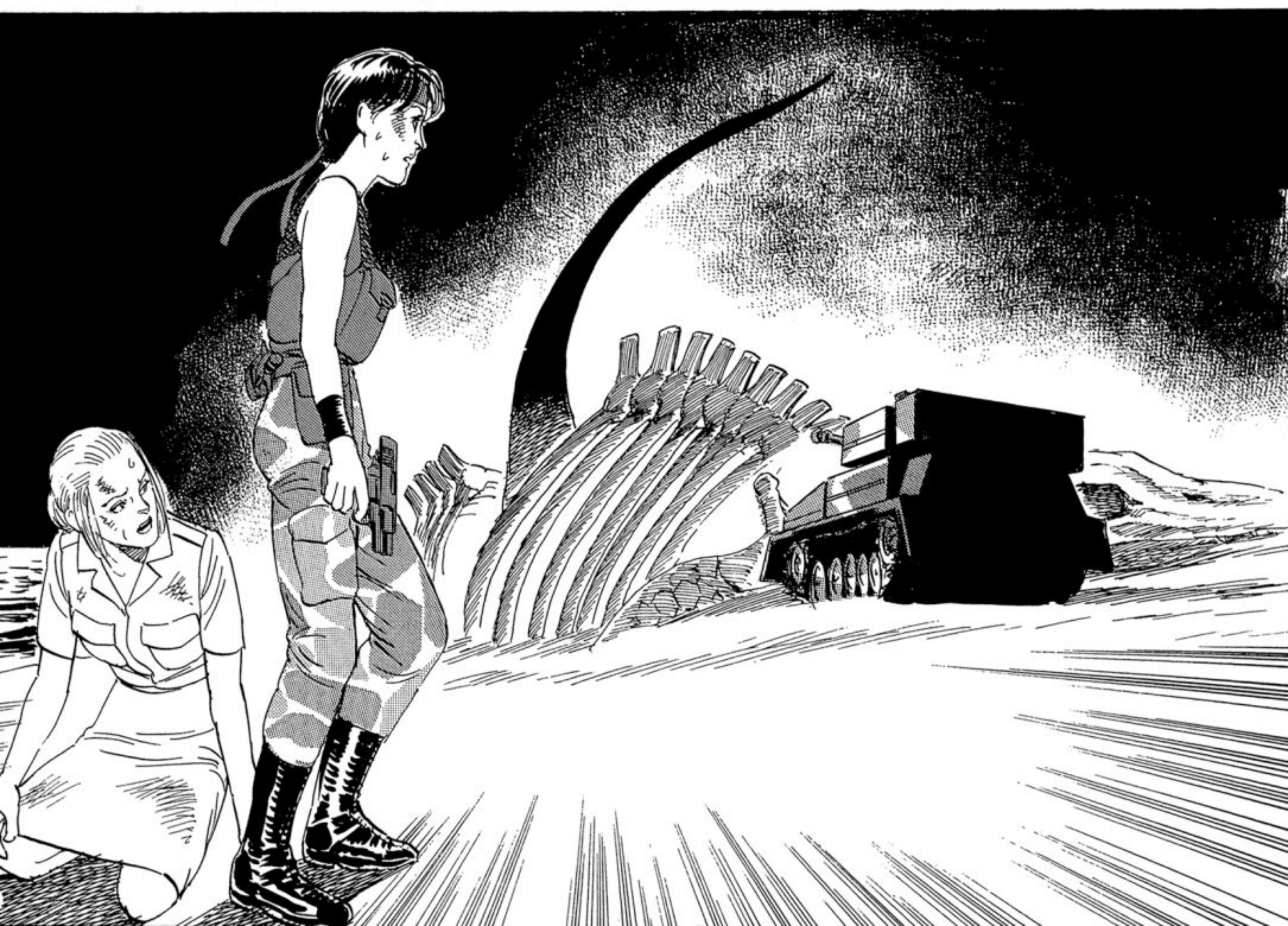


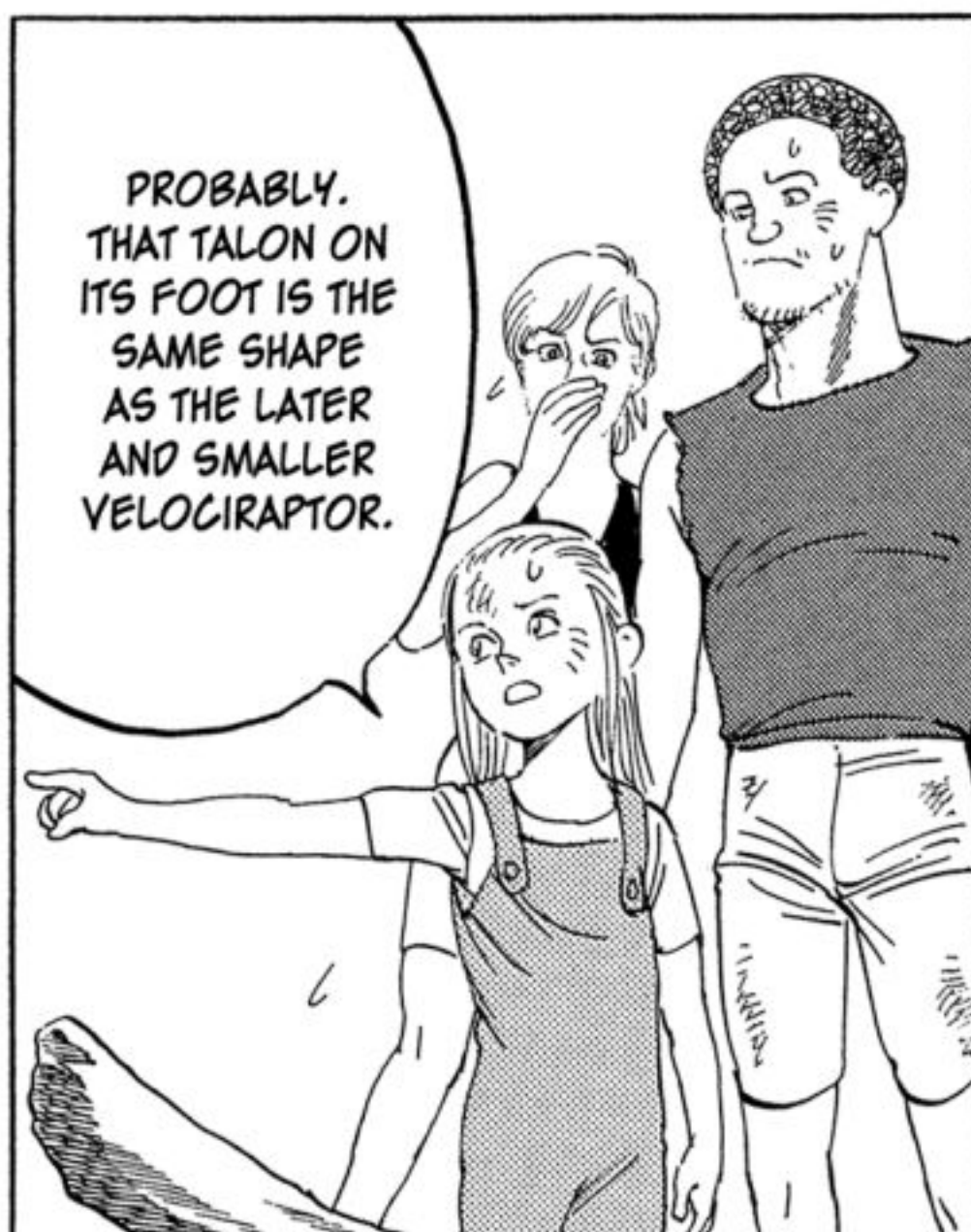












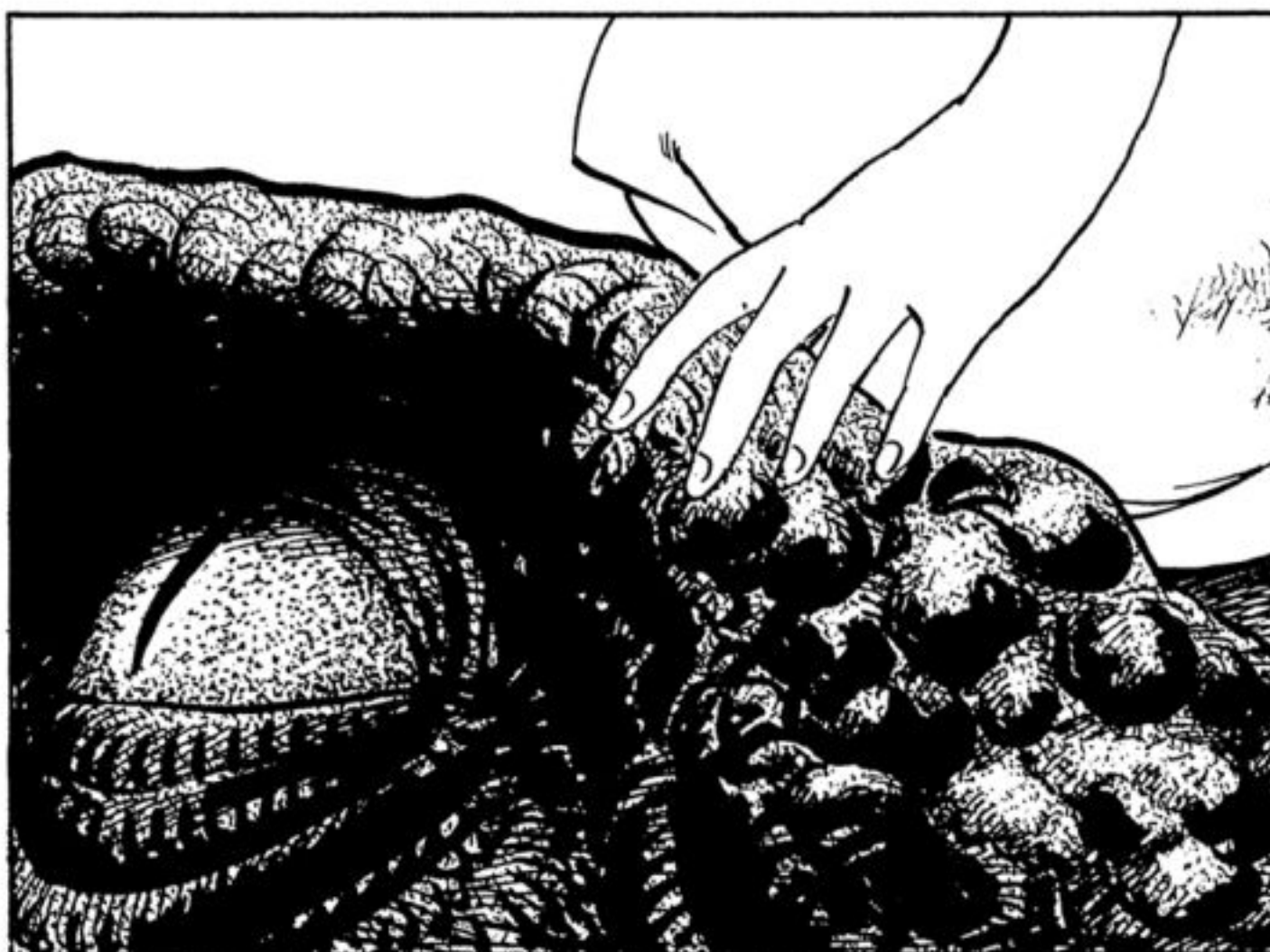
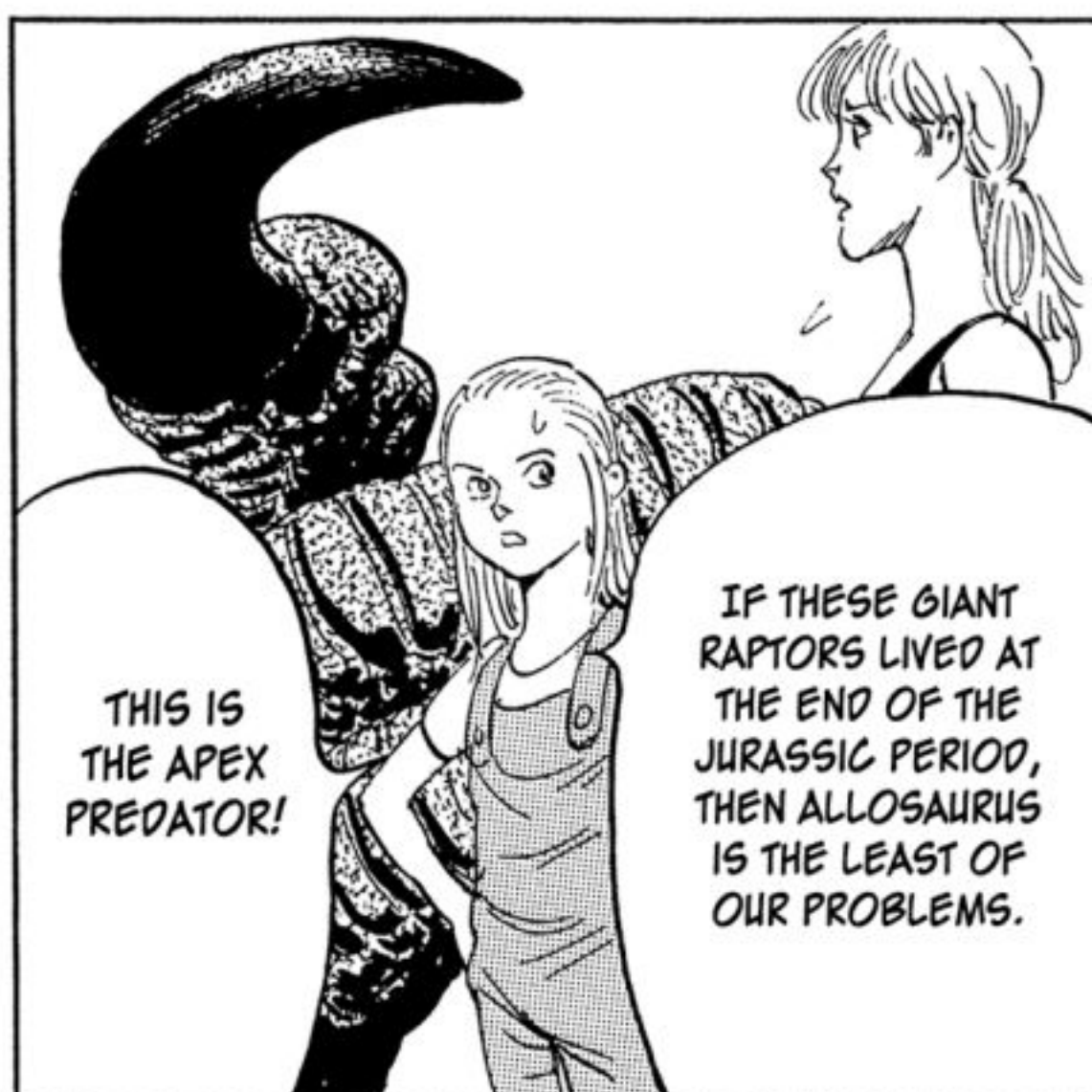
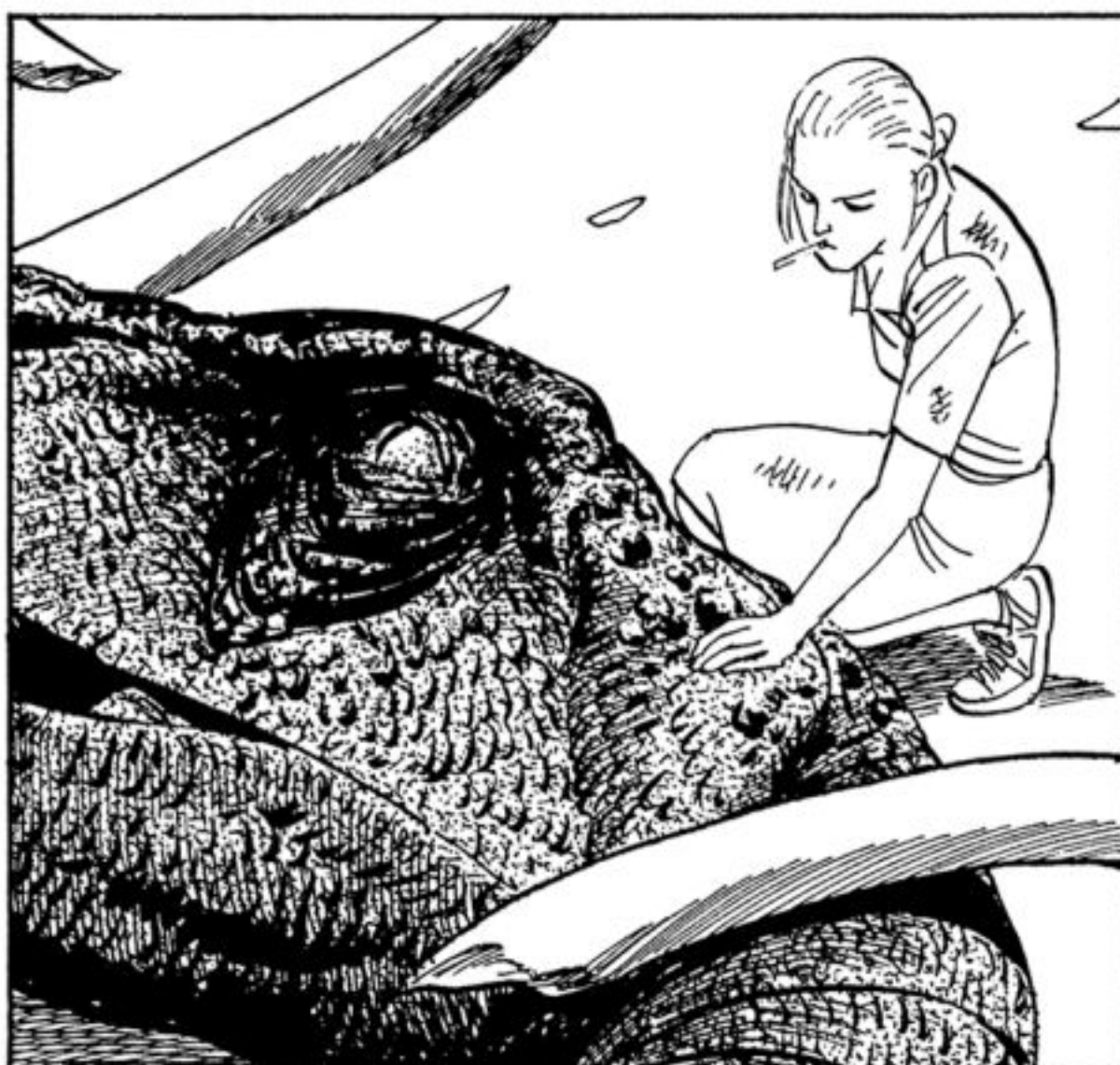
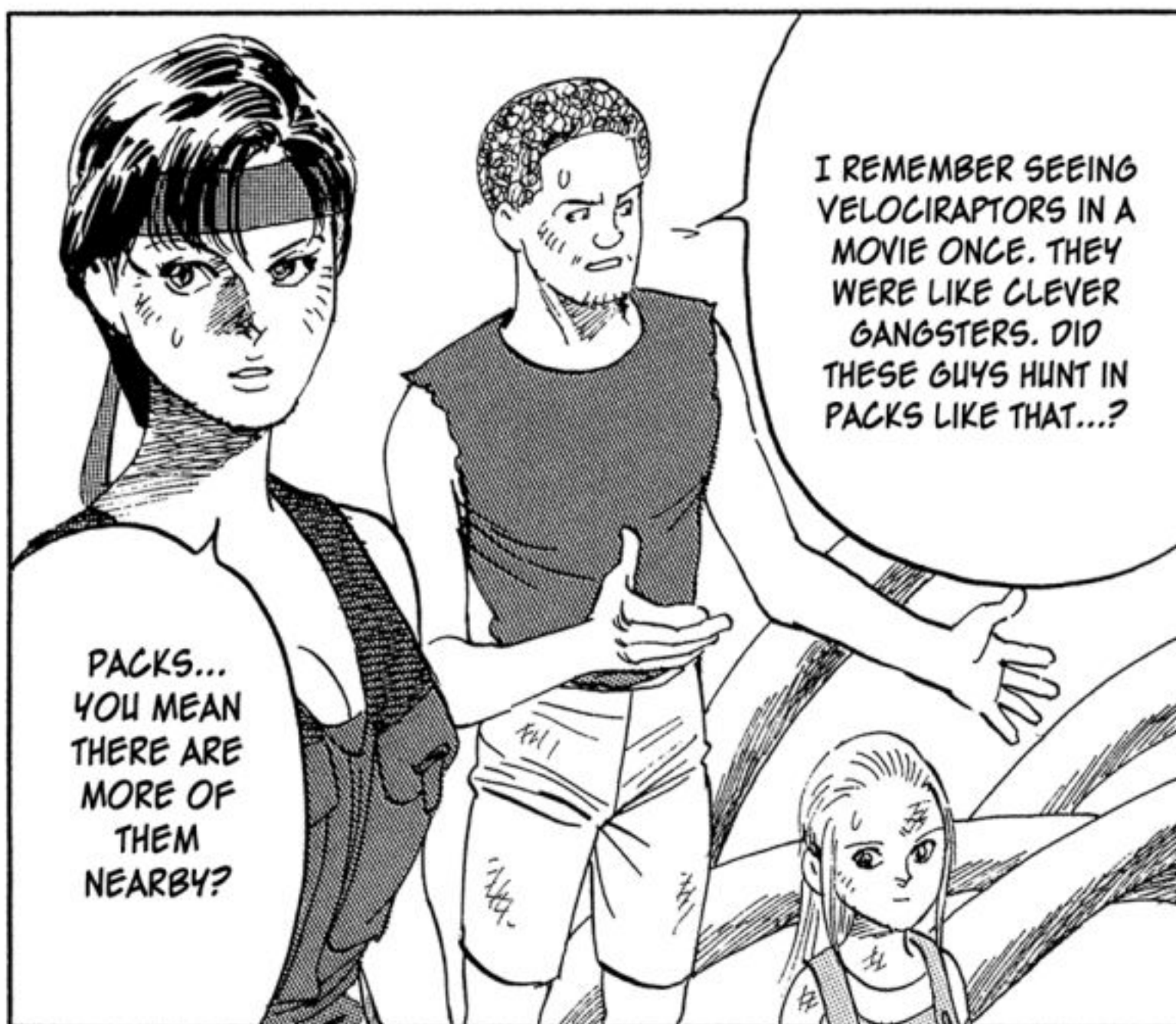
PROBABLY.
THAT TALON ON
ITS FOOT IS THE
SAME SHAPE
AS THE LATER
AND SMALLER
VELOCIRAPTOR.

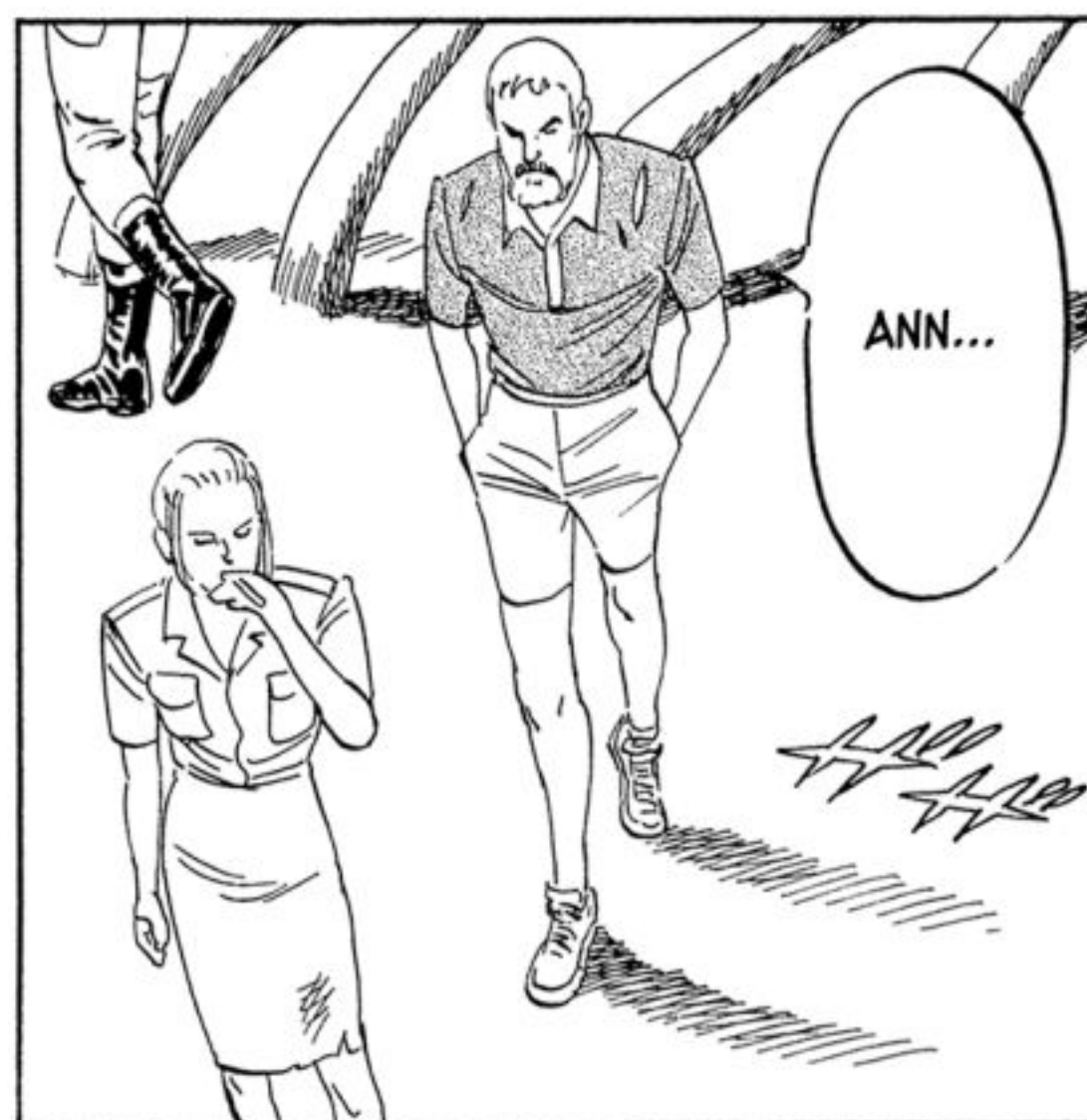


THAT COULD EVEN
RIP APART A GIANT
BAROSAURUS...



"UTAH-
RAPTOR"!?

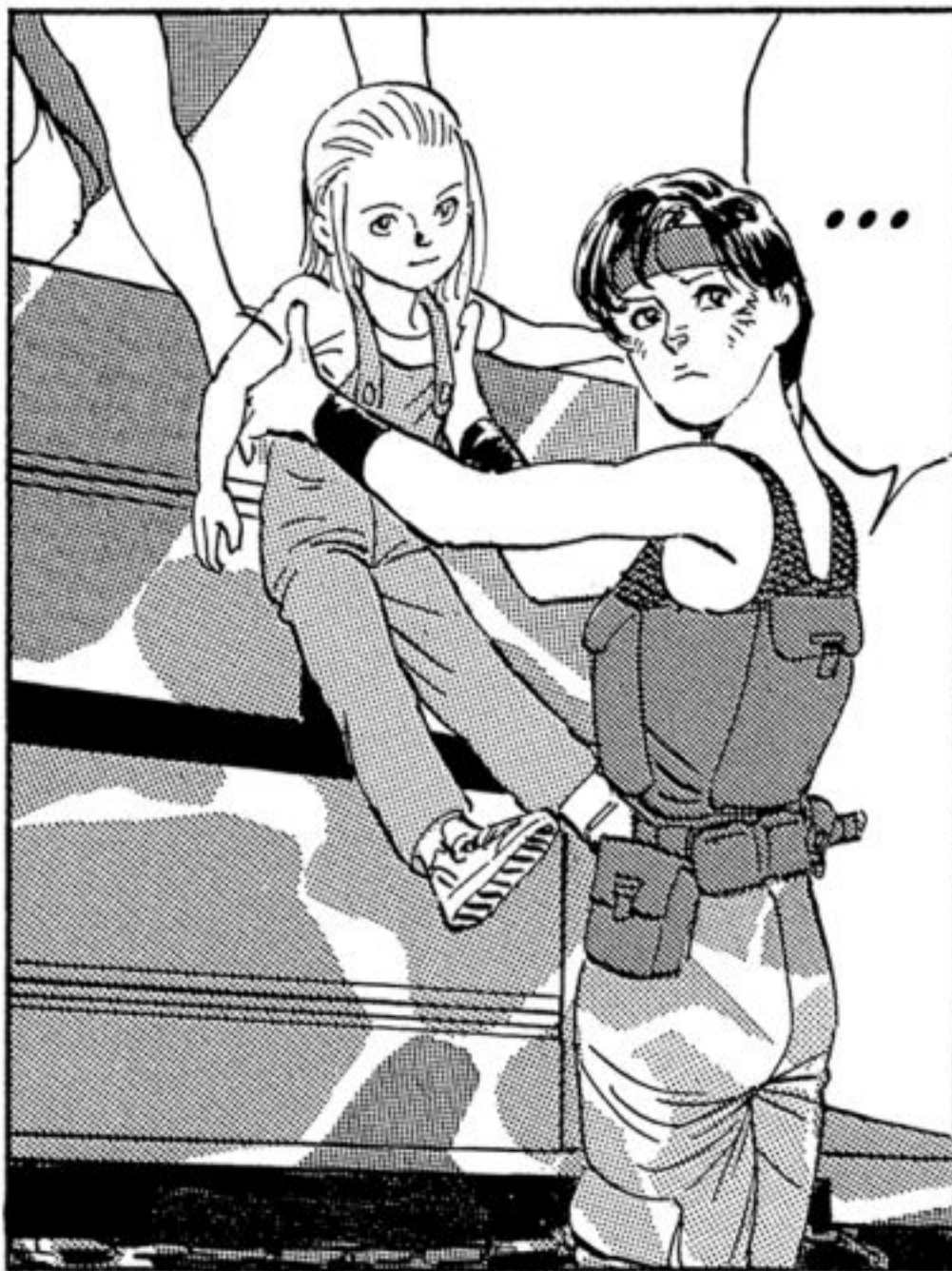






EVEN IF IT MEANS
PUTTING OTHER
LIVES IN DANGER?
THIS EXTERNALISM
ISN'T LIKE YOU
AT ALL.

I THINK WE
SHOULD DO OUR
BEST TO SAVE ALL
THE LIVES WE CAN,
UNTIL WE'RE OUT
OF OPTIONS!

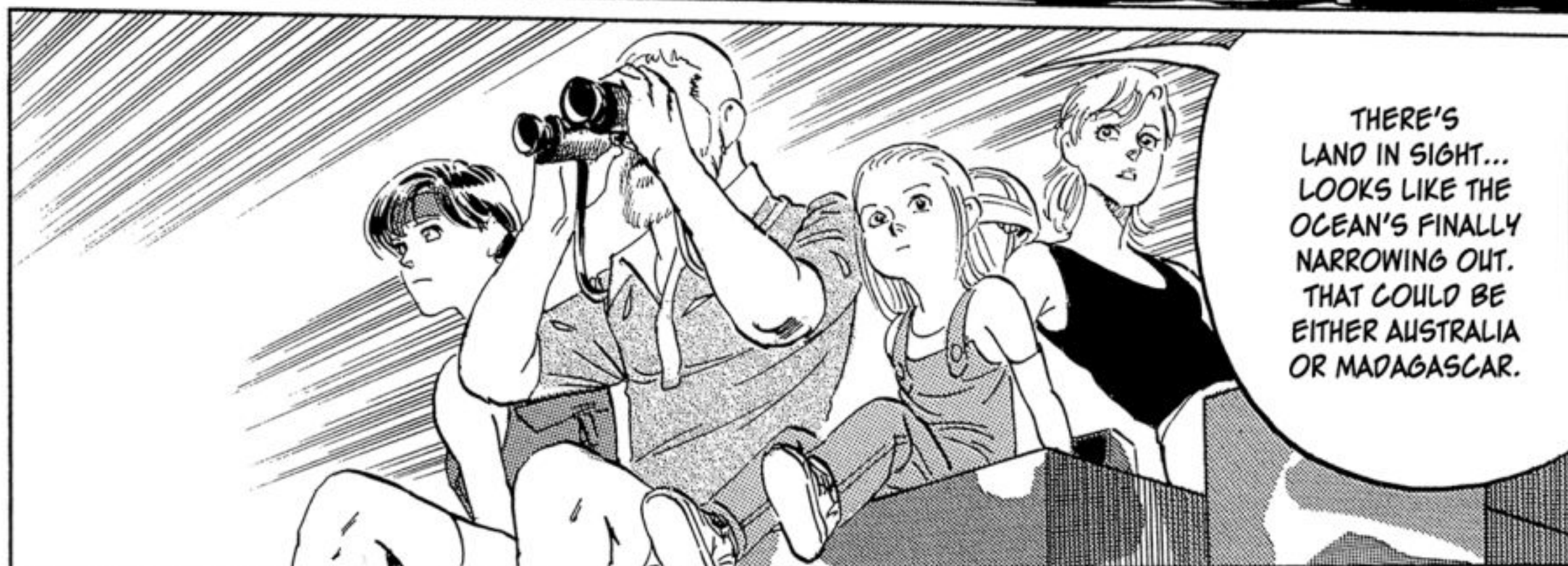


YOU SAID IT,
DOCTOR. LET'S
MOVE OUT!

WE
SHOULD GET
OUT OF HERE,
LIEUTENANT
GROCK.

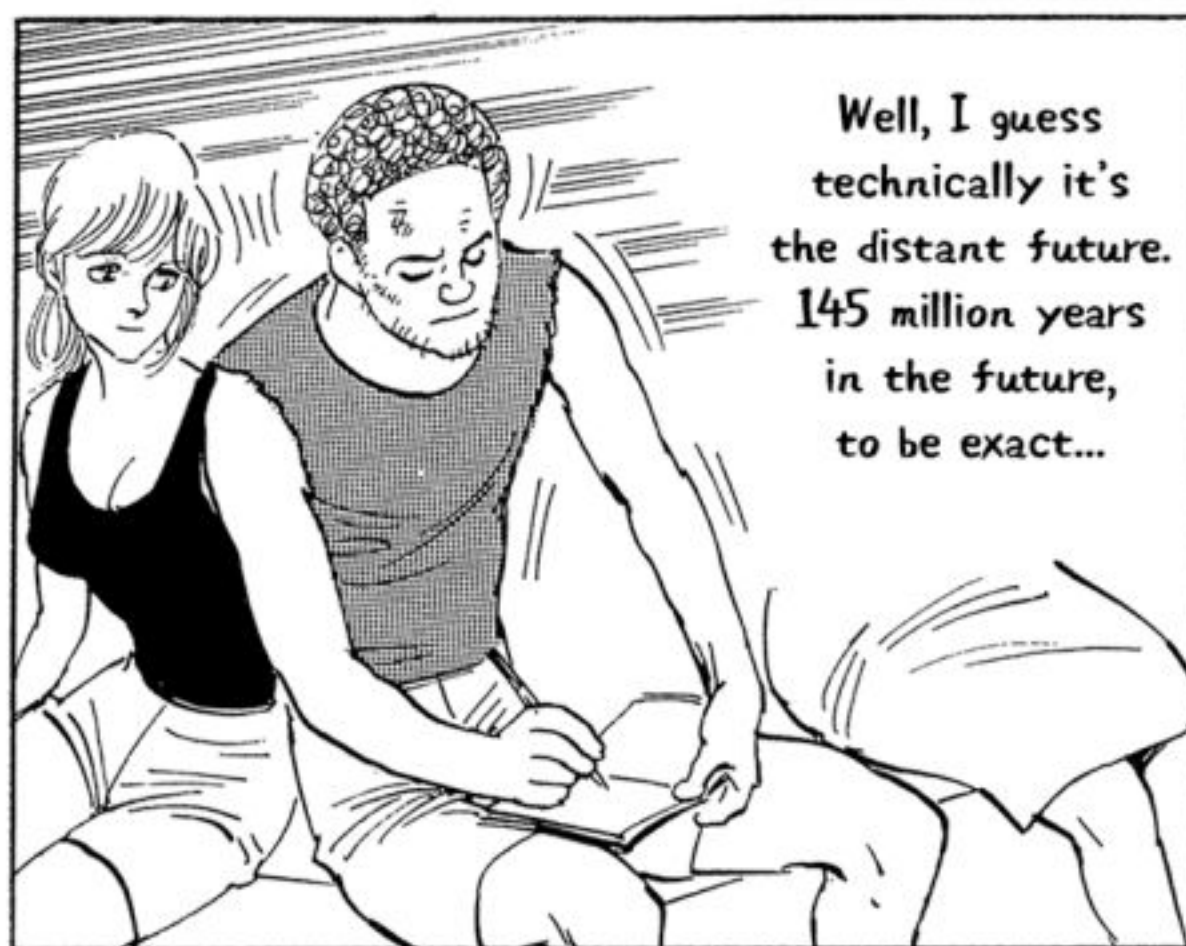
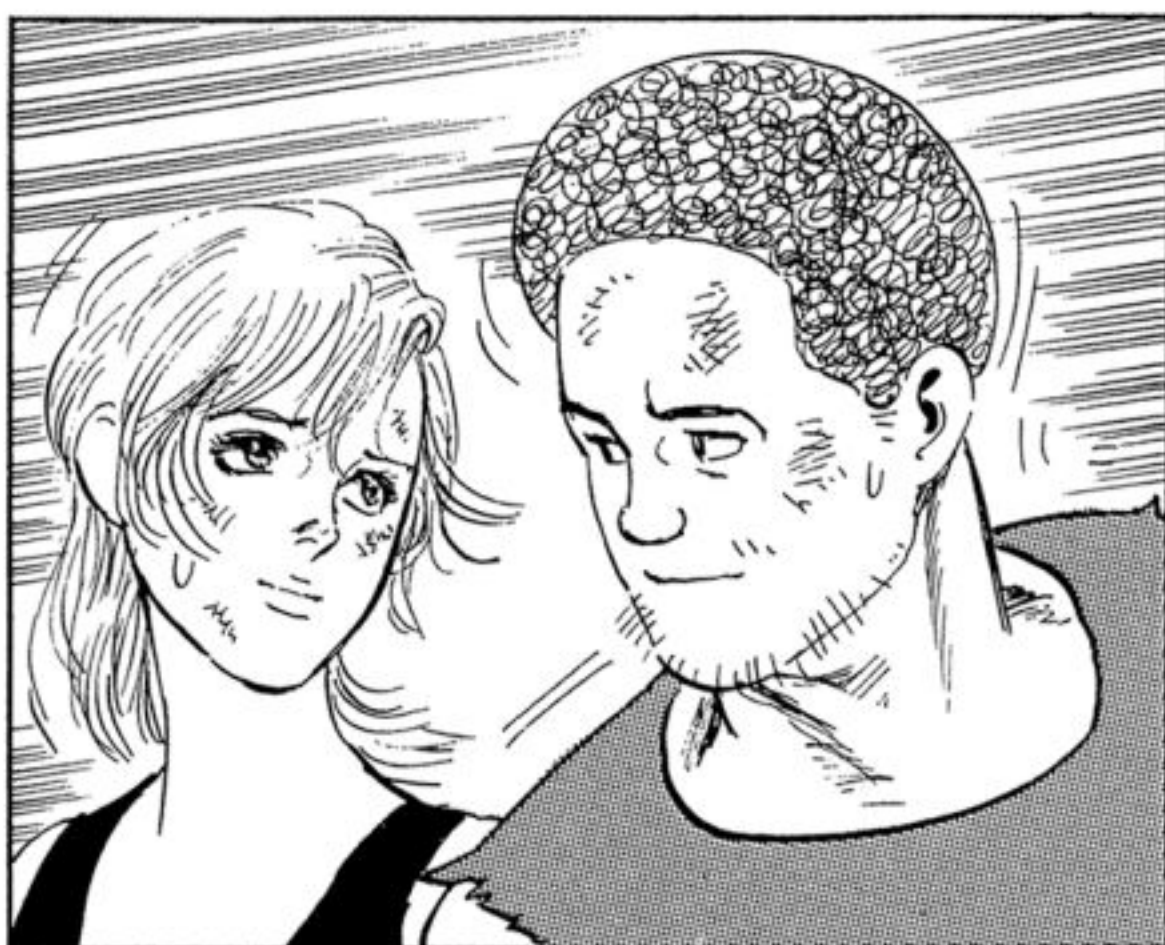
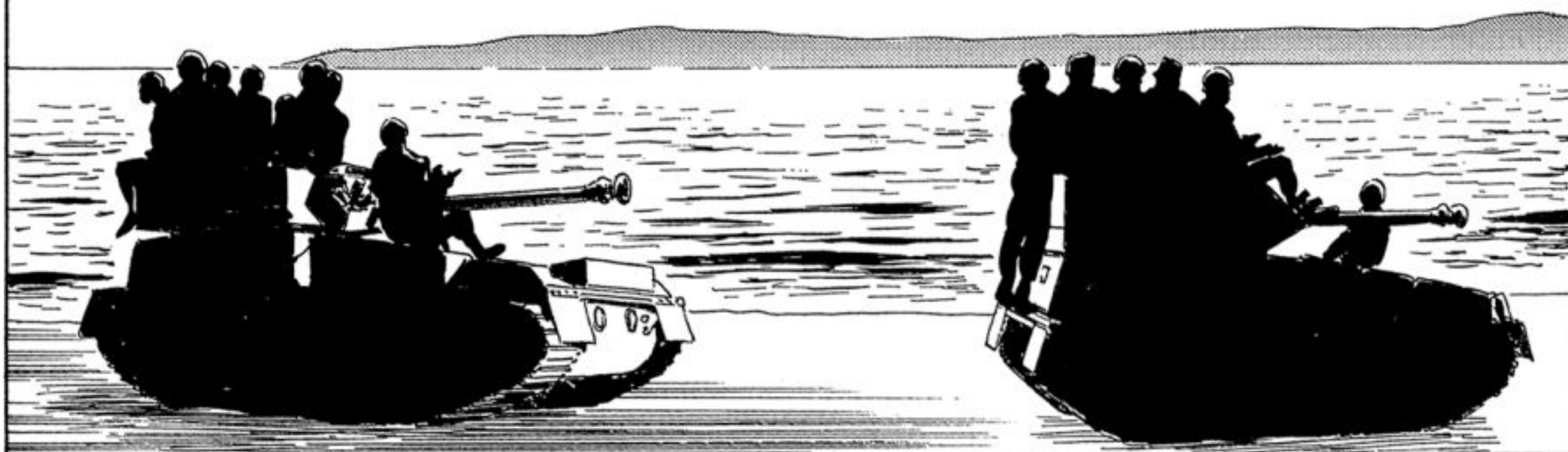






THERE'S
LAND IN SIGHT...
LOOKS LIKE THE
OCEAN'S FINALLY
NARROWING OUT.
THAT COULD BE
EITHER AUSTRALIA
OR MADAGASCAR.

Madagascar... Now that I think about it, that was where I got into this whole Blue Hole mess in the first place. It was only a year ago, but it feels like ancient history...

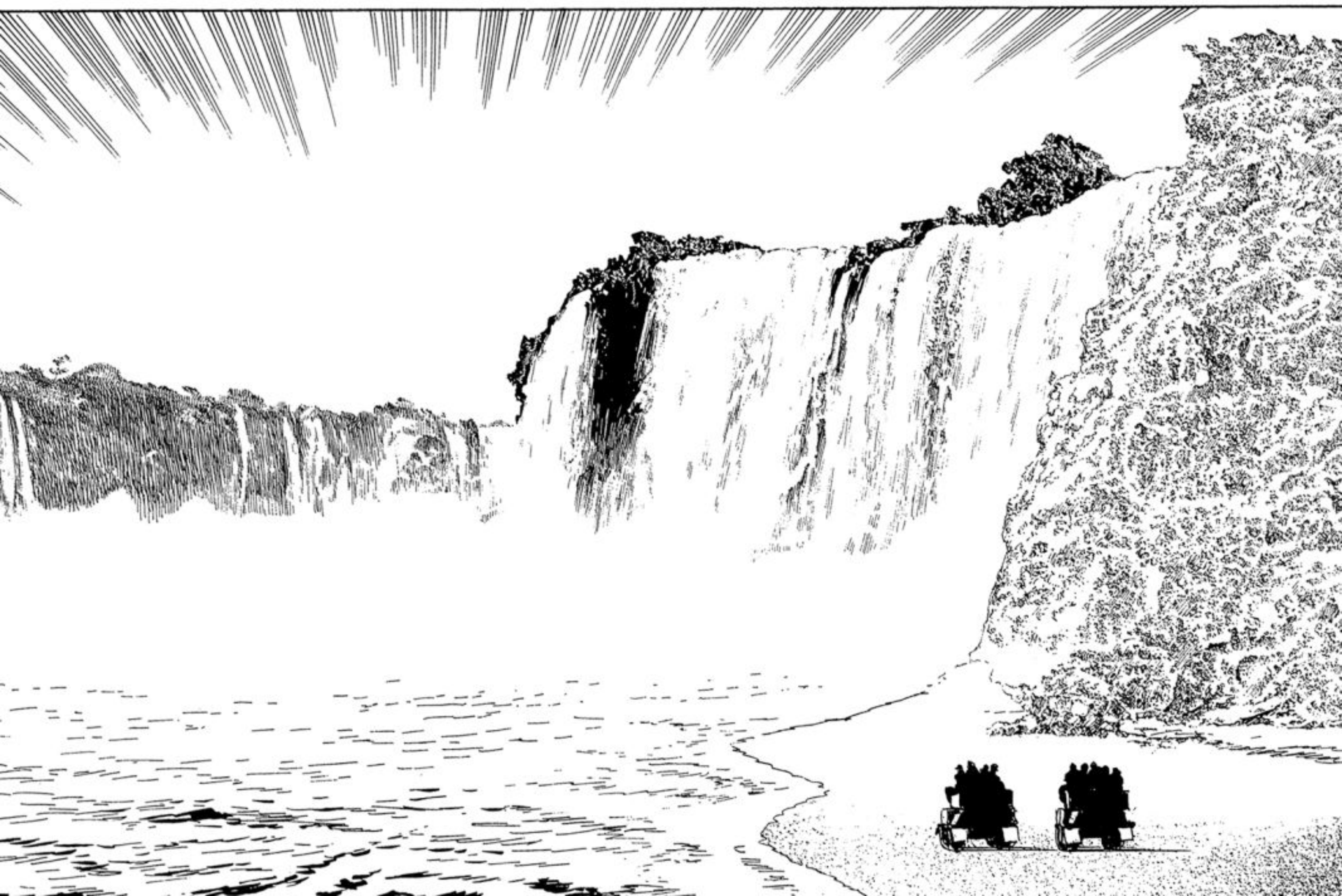
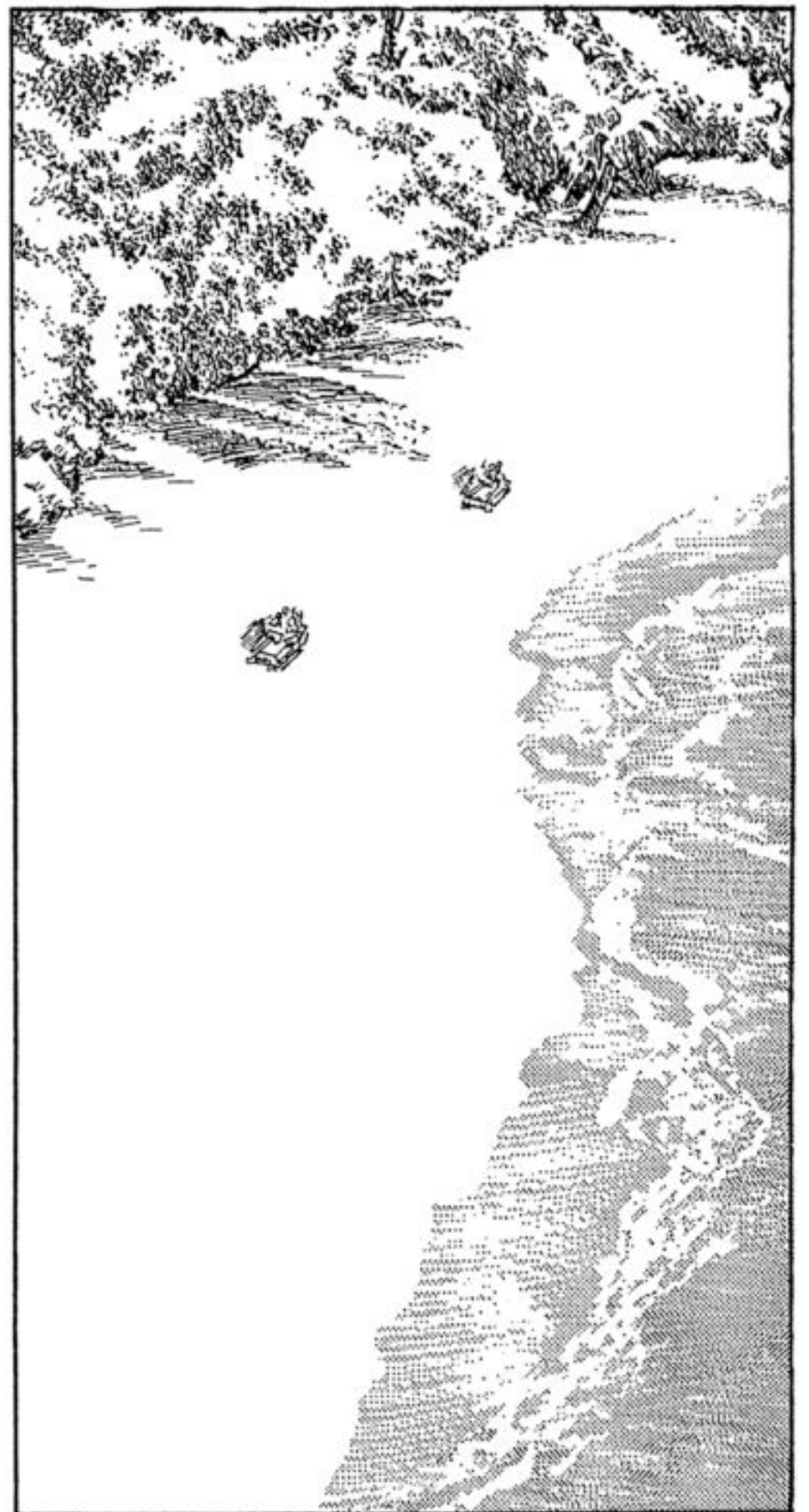


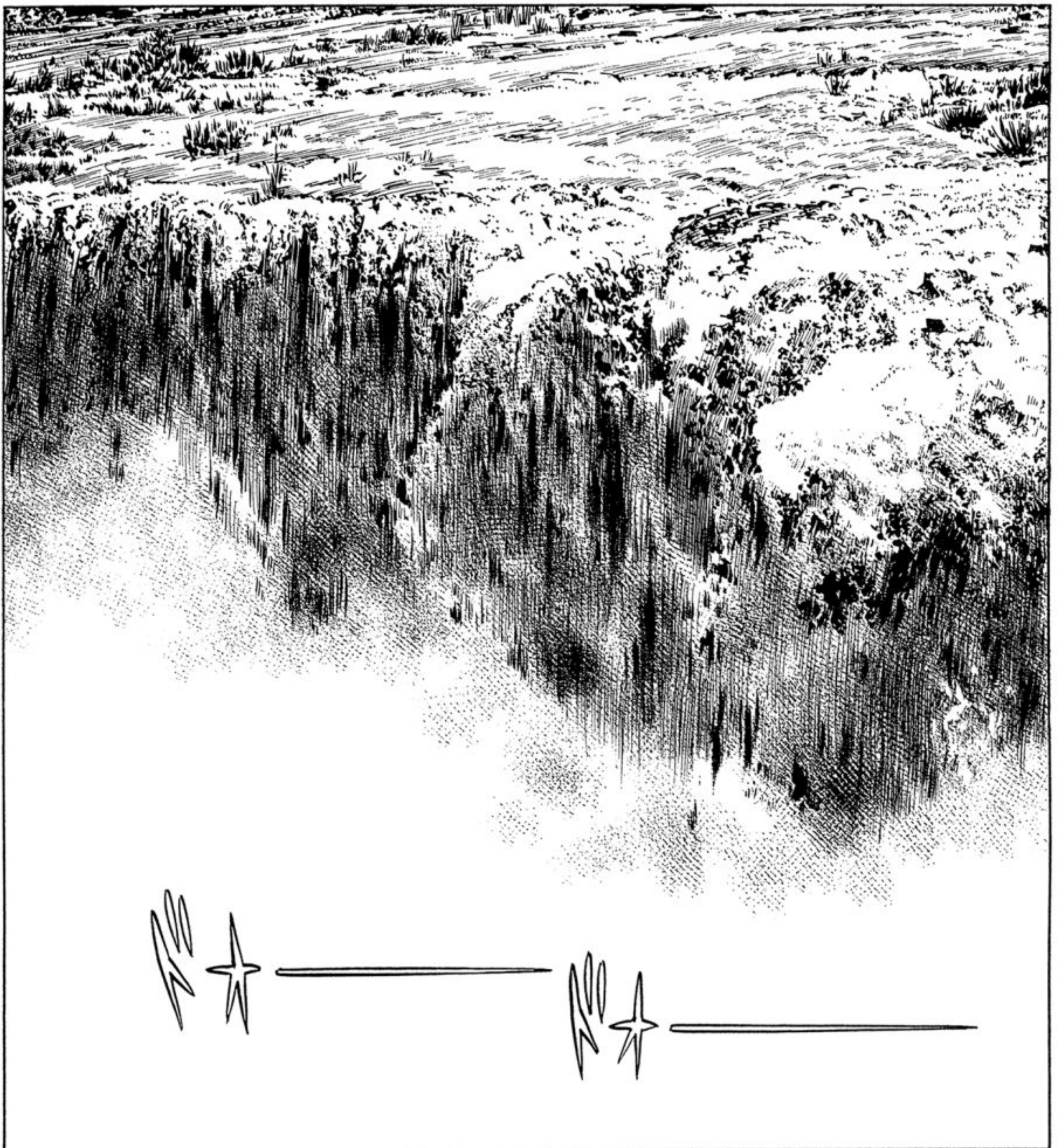
Well, I guess technically it's the distant future. 145 million years in the future, to be exact...

And where the ocean ended, we would have to force our way into the endless jungle...

Just like Professor Camelot said, the ocean started narrowing out. We were getting closer to the point where Africa and Australia were connected by land.







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